EXPLANATION OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION ON ADEQUACY

in

Hydrofluorocarbon Blends from China Inv. No. 731-TA-1279 (First Review)

On October 4, 2021, the Commission determined to conduct an expedited review in the subject five-year review pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. § 1675(c)(3)(B).

The Commission received two responses to its notice of institution. One was jointly submitted by the American HFC Coalition, a trade or business association a majority of whose members are integrated U.S. producers of hydrofluorocarbon ("HFC") blends, and its individual members (collectively "domestic interested parties"). The Commission unanimously found each domestic interested party's individual response to be adequate. Because the Commission received a response from interested parties accounting for a substantial share of U.S. production of HFC blends in 2020, the Commission unanimously determined that the domestic interested party group response was adequate.

The second response was jointly submitted by iGas USA, Inc. ("iGas"), a U.S. producer of HFC blends, and its affiliated companies, including U.S. importer Scales N Stuff, Inc. ("Scales N Stuff") (collectively "respondent interested parties"). The Commission unanimously found each respondent interested party's individual response to be adequate. However, because the response did not account for a substantial share of imports or exports of subject merchandise in 2020, the Commission determined that the respondent interested party group response was inadequate.

The Commission did not find any circumstances that would warrant conducting a full review. Therefore, the Commission decided to conduct an expedited review of this order.

A record of the Commissioners' votes is available from the Office of the Secretary and at the Commission's website (www.usitc.gov).

¹ The individual members of the American HFC Coalition that are integrated U.S. producers of HFC blends are Arkema Inc., The Chemours Company FC LLC, and Honeywell International Inc.