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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food Safety and Inspection Service

[Docket No. FSIS–2012–0026]

Notice of Availability and Opportunity for Comments (Compliance Guideline for Controlling Salmonella in Market Hogs)

AGENCY: Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of availability and opportunity for comments.

SUMMARY: The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is announcing the availability of a compliance guideline for official establishments to control and reduce the spread of Salmonella in hog slaughter facilities. The guidance provides information on best practices that may be applied at a hog slaughter facility to prevent, eliminate, or reduce levels of Salmonella on hogs at all stages of slaughter and dressing. This guideline will help hog slaughter establishments better comply with the relevant regulatory requirements. FSIS has posted this guideline on its Web page http://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/topics/regulatory-compliance/compliance-guides-index.

DATES: Written comments may be submitted until March 7, 2014.

ADDRESSES: FSIS invites interested persons to submit comments on this notice. Comments may be submitted by either of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: This Web site provides the ability to type short comments directly into the comment field on this Web page or attach a file for lengthier comments. Go to http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the on-line instructions at that site for submitting comments.

Mail, including CD-ROMs, etc.: Send to Docket Room Manager, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Patriots Plaza 3, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Mailstop 3782, Room 8–163B, Washington, DC 20250–3700.


Instructions: All items submitted by mail or electronic mail must include the Agency name and docket number FSIS–2012–0026. Comments received in response to this docket will be made available for public inspection and posted without change, including any personal information, to http://www.regulations.gov.

Docket: For access to background documents or comments received, go to the FSIS Docket Room at Patriots Plaza 3, 355 E Street SW., Room 8–164, Washington, DC 20250–3700 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Liza Murray, DVM, Risk, Innovations, and Management Staff, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food Safety and Inspection Service, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Patriots Plaza 3, Mail Stop 3782, Room 8–126A, Washington, DC 20024; Phone: (301) 504–0845; Email: liza.murray@fsis.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

FSIS is issuing a guidance document to provide information on best practices that may be used by hog slaughter facilities in controlling and reducing the spread of Salmonella on market hogs.

An establishment that slaughters and processes market hogs, under HACCP, is to operate in a manner that prevents or reduces contamination at every step in the process. The establishment is to use decontamination and antimicrobial intervention treatments as necessary to remove contamination that may result from slaughtering or dressing or otherwise occurs on carcasses. The best practices outlined in this guidance are recommendations for establishments to improve their slaughter management practices to reduce levels of Salmonella on carcasses. The establishment that improves contamination control at appropriate processing locations will likely produce raw pork products that have fewer pathogens, including Salmonella.

FSIS urges the regulated industry to review the guidance and the scientific studies referenced in it. FSIS recommends that hog establishments follow this guidance to control and reduce the incidence and spread of Salmonella. The resulting improvements will also help establishments to better comply with the relevant regulatory requirements (9 CFR parts 310.7, 310.10, 310.11, 310.12, 310.18, 310.25, 416 and 417).

This guidance also discusses the Nationwide Microbiological Baseline Data Collection Program: Market Hog Survey that was conducted from August 2010–August 2011. The data collected and discussed in the guidance will enable the Agency to work more effectively with industry to reduce the risk of foodborne pathogens in FSIS regulated products.

FSIS welcomes comment on this compliance guidance, which will be revised as needed.

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Done at Washington, DC, on: December 23, 2013.

Alfred V. Almanza,
Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
[A–570–967, C–570–968]
Aluminum Extrusions From the People’s Republic of China: Final Results of Changed Circumstances Reviews; Partial Revocation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, formerly Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

DATES: Effective Date: November 12, 2010, for the antidumping duty order; September 7, 2010, for the countervailing duty order.

SUMMARY: On November 7, 2013, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published the notice of preliminary results of changed circumstances reviews and intent to revoke, in part, the antidumping (AD) and countervailing duty (CVD) orders on aluminum extrusions from the People’s Republic of China (PRC),1 with respect to certain rectangular wire. We invited interested parties to comment on the Preliminary Results and received no comments other than support for partial revocation of the orders. Therefore, the final results do not differ from the preliminary results of reviews and we are revoking the orders with respect to certain rectangular wire. The partial revocations are effective November 12, 2010 (for AD) and September 7, 2010 (for CVD).


Background

On May 26, 2011, the Department published the AD and CVD orders in the Federal Register.2 On June 20, 2013, the Department received a request on behalf of 3M Company (3M) for changed circumstances reviews to revoke, in part, the Orders with respect to certain rectangular wire imported by 3M. In its request, 3M attached a letter submitted on behalf of the Aluminum Extrusion Fair Trade Committee (AEFTC), the petitioners in the less-than-fair-value and CVD investigations, and the Aluminum Extrusion Council (AEC), in which representatives of the AEFTC and AEC stated that they no longer have interest in maintaining the Orders with respect to certain rectangular wire identified in 3M’s request for the changed circumstances reviews. On July 2, 2013, 3M filed a letter containing a clarification from the AEFTC and AEC, in which they stated that they no longer have interest in maintaining the Orders with respect to certain rectangular wire, regardless of whether 3M or another party imports it.

On August 20, 2013, we published a notice of initiation of these changed circumstances reviews.3 Because the statement provided by the AEC and offered in support of 3M’s request for changed circumstances reviews did not indicate whether the AEC accounts for substantially all of domestic aluminum extrusion production, in the Initiation Notice, we invited interested parties to comment on the Department’s initiation.

We received no comments from interested parties.

On November 7, 2013, we published the notice of preliminary results of changed circumstances reviews, and intent to revoke the Orders in part.4 We received no comments or briefs in opposition from interested parties.5

Scope of the Orders

The merchandise covered by these Orders is aluminum extrusions which are shapes and forms, produced by an extrusion process, made from aluminum alloys having metallic elements corresponding to the alloy series designations published by The Aluminum Association commencing with the numbers 1, 3, and 6 (or proprietary equivalents or other certifying body equivalents). Specifically, the subject merchandise made from aluminum alloy with an Aluminum Association series designation commencing with the number 3 contains manganese as the major alloying element, with manganese accounting for not more than 3.0 percent of total materials by weight. The subject merchandise made from aluminum alloy with an Aluminum Association series designation commencing with the number 6 contains magnesium and silicon as the major alloying elements, with magnesium accounting for at least 0.1 percent but not more than 2.0 percent of total materials by weight, and silicon accounting for at least 0.1 percent but not more than 3.0 percent of total materials by weight. The subject aluminum extrusions are properly identified by a four-digit alloy series without either a decimal point or leading letter. Illustrative examples from among the approximately 160 registered alloys that may characterize the subject merchandise are as follows: 1350, 3003, and 6060.

Aluminum extrusions are produced and imported in a wide variety of shapes and forms, including, but not limited to, hollow profiles, other solid profiles, pipes, tubes, bars, and rods. Aluminum extrusions that are drawn subsequent to extrusion (drawn aluminum) are also included in the scope.

1 See Aluminum Extrusions From the People’s Republic of China: Preliminary Results of Changed Circumstances Reviews, and Intent To Revoke Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders in Part, 78 FR 66895 (November 7, 2013) (Preliminary Results).
4 See Preliminary Results.
5 On November 21, 2013, 3M submitted comments in which it stated that it supports the Department’s partial revocation of the Orders.