

EXPLANATION OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION ON ADEQUACY

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Certain Ammonium Nitrate From Russia, Inv. No. 731-TA-856 (Review)

On July 5, 2005, the Commission determined that it should proceed to a full 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 determined that the domestic producer responses, filed by the Committee for Fair Ammonium Nitrate Trade on behalf of three domestic producers of ammonium nitrate, Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., El Dorado Chemical Co., and Terra Industries, Inc., and filed separately by a fourth domestic producer, Agrium US, Inc., were individually adequate. Because these four producers account for the vast majority of domestic production of ammonium nitrate, the Commission further determined that the domestic interested party group response was adequate.

The Commission also received responses to its notice of initiation in a joint filing by six Russian producers and exporters of the subject merchandise, JSC Nevinnomysskiy Azot, JSC Novomoskovsk Azot, JSC Minudobreniya, JSC Acron, JSC Dorogobuzh, and MCC EuroChem. The Commission determined that the responses were individually adequate, and further that they constituted an adequate respondent interested party group response because these firms account for a significant share of the production of ammonium nitrate in Russia and nearly all exports of subject merchandise from Russia to the United States. Accordingly, the Commission determined to proceed to a full review in *Certain Ammonium Nitrate From Russia*.

A record of the Commissioners' votes is available from the Office of the Secretary and the Commission's web site (<http://www.usitc.gov>).