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Administrative Review-  
Suspension Agreement  
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MEMORANDUM TO: Carole Showers  
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SUBJECT: Sugar from Mexico: Extension of Deadline for Final Results of the  
Administrative Review of the Agreement Suspending the Countervailing Duty  
Investigation on Sugar from Mexico

## BACKGROUND

At the request of interested parties, the Department of Commerce (the Department) initiated an administrative review of the Agreement Suspending the Countervailing Duty Investigation on Sugar from Mexico, covering the period December 19, 2014, through December 31, 2015.<sup>1</sup> The Department published its *Preliminary Results* on December 5, 2016.<sup>2</sup>

## EXTENSION OF TIME LIMIT FOR FINAL RESULTS

Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires the Department to complete the results of an administrative review within 120 days after the date on which the preliminary determination is published. However, if it is not practicable to complete the review within the time period, section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act allows the Department to extend that 120-day period to a maximum of 180 days after the date of publication of the preliminary results.

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<sup>1</sup> See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 81 FR 6832, 6839 (February 9, 2016); *Suspension Agreement on Sugar From Mexico; Administrative Review of the Agreement Suspending the Countervailing Duty Investigation on Sugar From Mexico*, 81 FR 87539, 87540 (December 5, 2016) (*Preliminary Results*) (noting that the original period of review was extended to include calendar year 2015).

<sup>2</sup> See *Preliminary Results*.



On March 10, 2017, we determined that it was not practicable to complete this review by the previous deadline of April 4, 2017, and extended the deadline to May 1, 2017.<sup>3</sup> We are recommending fully extending the deadline for this review to no later than June 5, 2017.<sup>4</sup>

Therefore, we recommend extending the time period for issuing the final results of this administrative review to no later than June 5, 2017.

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Agree

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Disagree

*Carole Showers*  
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<sup>3</sup> See Memorandum to Carole Showers entitled "Sugar from Mexico: Extension of Deadline for Final Results of the Administrative Review of the Agreement Suspending the Anti-Dumping Investigation on Sugar from Mexico." March 10, 2017.

<sup>4</sup> The maximum extension permitted is 60 days from the date of the original results, which falls on Saturday, June 3, 2017. The Department's practice dictates that where a deadline falls on a weekend or federal holiday, the appropriate deadline is the next business day. See Notice of Clarification: Application of "Next Business Day" Rule for Administrative Determination Deadlines Pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930, As Amended, 70 FR 24533 (May 10, 2005).