

revised 2.11 percent total *ad valorem* subsidy rate for OCP.⁵ The CIT sustained Commerce's final redetermination.⁶

Timken Notice

In its decision in *Timken*,⁷ as clarified by *Diamond Sawblades*,⁸ the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit held that, pursuant to section 516A(c) and (e)

of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), Commerce must publish a notice of court decision that is not "in harmony" with a Commerce determination and must suspend liquidation of entries pending a "conclusive" court decision. The CIT's December 16, 2025, judgment constitutes a final decision of the CIT that is not in harmony with Commerce's

Final Results. Thus, this notice is published in fulfillment of the publication requirements of *Timken*.

Amended Final Results

Because there is now a final court judgment, Commerce is amending its *Final Results* with respect to OCP as follows:

Company	Subsidy rate in Final Results ⁹ (percent <i>ad valorem</i>)	Subsidy rate in Final Remand Redetermination ¹⁰ (percent <i>ad valorem</i>)
OCP S.A. ¹¹	2.12	2.11

Cash Deposit Requirements

Because OCP has a superseding cash deposit rate, *i.e.*, there have been final results published in a subsequent administrative review, we will not issue revised cash deposit instructions to U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP).¹² This notice will not affect the current cash deposit rate for OCP.

Liquidation of Suspended Entries

At this time, Commerce remains enjoined by CIT order from liquidating entries that were produced and/or exported by OCP, Jorf I, Jorf II, Jorf III, Jorf IV, or Jorf V, and were entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption during the period November 30, 2020, through December 31, 2021. These entries will remain enjoined pursuant to the terms of the injunction during the pendency of any appeals process.

In the event the CIT's ruling is not appealed, or, if appealed, upheld by a final and conclusive court decision, Commerce intends to instruct CBP to assess countervailing duties on unliquidated entries of subject merchandise produced and/or exported by OCP, Jorf I, Jorf II, Jorf III, Jorf IV, or Jorf V, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b). We will instruct CBP to assess countervailing duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review when the *ad valorem* rate is not zero or *de minimis*. Where an *ad valorem* subsidy rate is zero or *de minimis*,¹³ we will instruct CBP to

liquidate the appropriate entries without regard to countervailing duties.

Notification to Interested Parties

This notice is issued and published in accordance with sections 516A(c) and (e) and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: January 7, 2026.

Christopher Abbott,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Negotiations. Performing the non-exclusive functions and duties Of the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance. [FR Doc. 2026-00385 Filed 1-9-26; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology (VCAT or Committee) will meet on Wednesday, February 11, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time, and Thursday, February 12, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

DATES: The VCAT will meet on Wednesday, February 11, 2026, from

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time, and Thursday, February 12, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be a virtual meeting via a virtual meeting platform. Please note admittance instructions under the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Stephanie Shaw, VCAT, NIST, 100 Bureau Drive, Mail Stop 1060, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-1060, telephone number 240-446-6000. Ms. Shaw's email address is stephanie.shaw@nist.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: 15 U.S.C. 278 and the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. 1001 *et seq.*

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. 1001 *et seq.*, notice is hereby given that the VCAT will meet on the dates and at the times given in the **DATES** section. The meeting will be open to the public. The VCAT is composed of not fewer than nine members appointed by the NIST Director and selected to provide representation of a cross-section of the traditional and emerging United States industries. The primary purpose of this meeting is for the VCAT to review and make recommendations regarding general policy for NIST, its organization, its budget, and its programs within the framework of applicable national policies as set forth by the President and the Congress. The agenda will include an update on major programs at NIST, strategic priorities, safety, cybersecurity,

day of the average useful life period. Accordingly, Commerce did not consider Maroc Phosphore to be a separate reporting entity. *See Final Results IDM* at Comment 4.

⁵ See *Final Remand Redetermination* at 7-8.

⁶ See *The Mosaic Company v. United States*, Slip Op. 25-155 (CIT December 16, 2025), at 13.

⁷ See *Timken Co. v. United States*, 893 F.2d 337 (Fed. Cir. 1990) (*Timken*).

⁸ See *Diamond Sawblades Manufacturers Coalition v. United States*, 626 F.3d 1374 (Fed. Cir. 2010) (*Diamond Sawblades*).

⁹ See *Final Results*, 88 FR at 76726.

¹⁰ See *Final Remand Redetermination* at 8.

¹¹ As stated in the *Final Results*, Commerce found the following companies to be cross-owned with OCP S.A.: Jorf Fertilizers Company I (Jorf I); Jorf Fertilizers Company II (Jorf II); Jorf Fertilizers Company III (Jorf III); Jorf Fertilizers Company IV (Jorf IV); and Jorf Fertilizers Company V (Jorf V). *See Final Results*, 88 FR at 76726. In addition, Commerce determined that Maroc Phosphore ceased to exist as an independent entity on the first

¹² See *Phosphate Fertilizers from the Kingdom of Morocco: Notice of Amended Final Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review; 2022*, 89 FR 104979 (December 26, 2024).

¹³ See 19 CFR 351.106(c)(2).

communication, and budget. The Committee will also work on its initial observations, findings, and recommendations for the 2025 VCAT Annual Report. The agenda is subject to change if needed to accommodate Committee business. The final agenda will be posted on the NIST website at <https://www.nist.gov/director/vcat/agenda-minutes>.

Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to offer comments and suggestions related to the Committee's business are invited to request a place on the agenda by no later than 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Tuesday, February 3, 2026, by contacting Stephanie Shaw at stephanie.shaw@nist.gov. Approximately one-half hour will be reserved for public comments, and speaking times will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. The amount of time per speaker will be determined by the number of requests received but is likely to be about 3 minutes each. The exact time and date for public comments will be included in the final agenda that will be posted on the NIST website at <https://www.nist.gov/director/vcat/agenda-minutes>. Questions from the public will not be considered during this period. Speakers who wish to expand upon their oral statements, those who had wished to speak but could not be accommodated on the agenda, and those who were unable to attend in person are invited to submit written statements to Stephanie Shaw at stephanie.shaw@nist.gov.

All participants, including NIST staff, will be attending via a virtual meeting platform and must contact Ms. Shaw at stephanie.shaw@nist.gov by 5:00 p.m. eastern time, Wednesday January 28, 2026, for detailed instructions on how to join the meeting via a virtual meeting platform.

Alicia Chambers,
NIST Executive Secretariat.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Highly Migratory Species; Notice

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and

Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice; permit application period opening.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces the opening of the 2026 permit application period for initial issuance of limited entry deep-set buoy gear permits under qualification Tier 9. Authorized through implementation of Amendment 6 to the Fishery Management Plan for U.S. West Coast Fisheries for Highly Migratory Species and its implementing regulations, Tier 9 was established as the final tier in a ranking system for issuance of limited entry deep-set buoy gear permits. Tier 9 permits for deep-set buoy gear will be available through the National Permits System.

DATES: The 2026 application period for initial issuance of deep-set buoy gear permits issued under Tier 9 is February 1 to March 31, 2026.

ADDRESSES:

Electronic Access

This notice is accessible via the internet at the Office of the Federal Register website at <https://www.federalregister.gov>. Background information on Amendment 6 to the HMS FMP and supporting documents are available at the NOAA Fisheries West Coast Region website: <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/region/west-coast>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Karen Palmigiano, West Coast Region Permits and Monitoring Branch wcr-permits@noaa.gov or (562) 980-4238.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Fishery Management Plan (FMP) for U.S. West Coast Fisheries for Highly Migratory Species (HMS) and its implementing regulations at title 50 in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), part 660, subpart K, regulate commercial and recreational fishing for HMS in the U.S. exclusive economic zone off the coasts of Washington, Oregon, and California and in adjacent high seas waters. NMFS published Amendment 6 and its implementing regulations on May 8, 2023 (88 FR 29545). Amendment 6 authorizes deep-set buoy gear (DSBG) as an additional gear type for catching swordfish and other HMS in Federal waters off of California and Oregon. The Pacific Fishery Management Council recommended that NOAA Fisheries authorize DSBG as an additional commercial gear type to improve the economic viability of the West Coast-based swordfish fishery while minimizing bycatch to the extent

practicable. The regulations also established a limited entry (LE) regime for "phased-in" permitting of DSBG fishing within Federal waters of the Southern California Bight (see 50 CFR 660.707(g)). Tier 9 is the final phase of that LE permit regime.

Tier 9 Permits

As required by the regulations at § 660.707(g)(12), once the list of initial approved qualifiers for Tiers 1 through 8 was exhausted in 2024, NMFS began accepting applications under Tier 9 in Spring 2025. NMFS will continue to accept new applications for Tier 9 permits on an annual basis and issue up to 25 permits per year until a total of 300 LE DSBG permits are issued, unless NMFS determines that the maximum number of permits should be fewer than 300 and publishes a subsequent rulemaking. Additionally, as required by regulations, NMFS must annually announce the opening of Tier 9 in the **Federal Register**. This notice serves as that announcement.

Therefore, beginning on February 1, 2026, and ending on March 31, 2026, NMFS will accept new applications for initial issuance of LE DSBG permits under Tier 9. Applicants for Tier 9 permits who submitted applications in previous years and have yet to receive a permit do not need to resubmit their applications. To qualify for a LE DSBG permit under Tier 9 an applicant must be a "person" as defined at § 660.702 and must not already own a LE DSBG permit either individually or as a shareholder in a business which owns a LE DSBG permit. The process for initial issuance of LE DSBG permits to applicants that qualify under Tier 9, which can be found in § 660.707(g)(12), is summarized below.

To apply for a LE DSBG permit under Tier 9, a person must submit a complete application to NMFS through the National Permits System website no later than 11:59 p.m. Pacific daylight time on March 31, 2026. A complete initial issuance application package consists of the following: a completed initial issuance application form, which may include ownership interest for businesses, and as required under § 660.707(g)(3)(ii); a current copy of the United States Coast Guard Documentation Form or state registration form for the vessel that will be registered to the permit; and payment of required fees. NMFS may require additional documentation as it deems necessary to make a determination on the application. The initial issuance application package will be considered incomplete until the required information is submitted. NMFS will