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DGTR moves questionnaire replies in its anti-dumping and subsidy probes on grooved copper tubes from China, Thailand and Vietnam to December 2 and 3, ad interim.

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Under the initiations, the product is internally grooved copper tubes and pipes, also called IGT or microfin tubes: copper tubes with grooves or ridges on the inner surface that raise heat transfer. They may be of refined copper or copper alloys. They're used mainly in air-conditioner condensers, and also in evaporators, water heaters, automotive air-conditioners, heat pipe radiators of electronic products, solar equipment and water-cooled screw chilled water units. Plain or smooth copper tubes and pipes are outside the scope at initiation. The tariff items are 7411 10 00, 7411 21 00, 7411 22 00 and 7411 29 00, indicative only. The applicant in both cases is MetTube Copper India Private Limited, and the period of investigation is April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026.

Questionnaire responses were due on the SETU portal by November 12, 2026 in the anti-dumping case and November 13, 2026 in the anti-subsidy case. Interested parties have sent comments on the scope of the product under consideration (PUC) and proposed changes to the product control number (PCN) methodology, including requests to exclude specific products and to add PCN parameters. DGTR says these technical comments are under consideration. Whether or not the scope and the PCN methodology change, it'll shortly issue a notification dealing with them.

Meanwhile, DGTR has extended the deadline for all questionnaire responses, ad interim, to December 2, 2026 in the anti-dumping case and December 3, 2026 in the anti-subsidy case. Each letter cites paragraph 34 of its initiation notification, which gives 15 days from the finalization of the PCN methodology to file responses. If those 15 days end within the ad-interim deadline, the deadline stays. If they run past it, DGTR will notify a new deadline and responses may be filed until that later date. DGTR asks parties to check its website and the SETU portal for updates.

The letters don't say what DGTR will decide on the scope or the PCNs, or which parties sent the comments, and they say nothing on dumping, subsidy or injury. The initiations record that these tubes were left out of the earlier countervailing duty investigation on copper pipes and tubes, concluded by final finding 04/10/2020-DGTR dated January 31, 2022, because India didn't make them then, and that no anti-dumping or countervailing duty is in force on them.

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Dated	November 12, 2026
Cases	SETU Case IDs AD/OI/055/2026 and CVD/OI/009/2026 (from the initiation notifications)
Product	Internally Grooved Copper Tubes and Pipes (IGT, microfin tubes); tariff items 7411 10 00, 7411 21 00, 7411 22 00 and 7411 29 00 (indicative)
Countries	China, Thailand and Vietnam
Applicant	MetTube Copper India Private Limited
Initiation	September 29, 2026 (Gazette CG-DL-E-06102026-276857, anti-dumping; CG-DL-E-06102026-276856, anti-subsidy)
Period of investigation	April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026
Scope and PCNs	Comments asking for product exclusions and more PCN parameters under consideration; a notification to follow
Questionnaire responses	Ad interim: December 2, 2026 (anti-dumping, was November 12) and December 3, 2026 (anti-subsidy, was November 13)
If the PCN methodology is finalized late	15 days from its publication, if that ends after the ad-interim date; DGTR will notify the new date
Signed by	Vivek Singh, Director, with the approval of the Designated Authority

The letter (PDF, 116 KB)

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