ADC No. 40/2015/NTC/OPI Government of Pakistan National Tariff Commission

Notice of Initiation

Anti-dumping Investigation against Alleged Dumped Imports of Offset Printing Ink into Pakistan Originating in and/or Exported from the People's Republic of China and Republic of Korea

National Tariff Commission (the "Commission") has received an application under Section 20 of Anti-Dumping Duties Act, 2015 (the "Act") on October 06, 2015 on behalf of M/s DIC Pakistan Limited, Lahore (the "Applicant"). The Applicant is producer of Offset Printing Ink and has alleged that Offset Printing Ink is being exported to Pakistan at dumped prices from the People's Republic of China and the Republic of Korea (the "Exporting Countries"). According to the Applicant, alleged dumped imports of Offset Printing Ink from the Exporting Countries have caused and are causing material injury to Pakistan's domestic industry producing Offset Printing Ink.

Product under Investigation: The investigated product is Offset Printing Ink in the form of paste also known as paste ink or oil based Printing Ink, ("Offset Printing Ink") but does not include water based, UV based, solvent based, flexographic rotogravure and other inks in liquid, powder or solid form, imported into Pakistan from the Exporting Countries. It is classified under PCT Heading No. 3215.1110, 3215.1190, 3215.1910 and 3215.1990. Investigated product is used for printing of packing material (paper and paper board), POS printing, text book printing/publishing etc.

Initiation of Investigation: The Commission hereby initiates an investigation pursuant to Section 23 of the Act. The investigation will determine whether Offset Printing Ink originating in and/or exported from Exporting Countries is being dumped into Pakistan and whether such dumping has caused and/or is causing material injury to the domestic industry producing like product. The Commission will, during the course of this investigation, call for any further information/data deemed necessary for the purposes of this investigation.

Period of Investigation ("POI"):

For determination of dumping: From October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2015 For determination of injury: From October 1, 2012 to September 30, 2015

Investigation Schedule:

Date of initiation ofThe date of publication of this notice in the newspapers in

investigation: Pakistan.

Date of preliminary Not earlier than 60 days and not later than 180 days from the

determination: date of initiation of the investigation.

Date of final determination: Will be notified in notice of preliminary determination.

Interested Parties: Interested parties, as defined in Section 2(j) of the Act, are requested to make themselves known to the Secretary, National Tariff Commission, State Life Building No. 5, Blue Area, Islamabad, Tel: +92-51-9202839, +92-51-9201188, Fax: +92-51-9221205 not later than 10 days after the publication of this notice. An interested party applying for registration with the Commission in this investigation should submit: the name of the company, its line of business, name of authorized person, address, telephone number and fax number.

All interested parties are further invited to submit their views/comments to the Commission, and to submit information and documents (if any) not later than 45 days of the date of publication of this notice in the press in Pakistan.

Public File: In accordance with Rule 7 of the Anti-Dumping Duties Rules, 2001, the Commission shall maintain a public file at the office of the Commission, which shall be available to the interested parties for review and copying from Monday to Thursday (except public holidays) between 1100 hours to 1300 hours throughout the investigation.

Further Information: For further information please contact, Director In-charge, Tel: +92-51-9218963, Fax: +92-51-9221205, Email: <u>imranntc@outlook.com</u>. General information may also be obtained by visiting the Commission's official website <u>www.ntc.gov.pk</u>

By order of the Commission.

Muhammad Shahid Secretary December 7, 2015