ADC No. 13/2008/NTC/PSF National Tariff Commission Government of Pakistan

Notice of Initiation of Proceedings in Pursuance to the Decision of the Lahore High Court Lahore in Writ Petition No. 24852 of 2009 Regarding Imposition of Anti-dumping Duty on Imports of Polyester Staple Fibre into Pakistan Originating in and/or Exported from the People's Republic of China

The National Tariff Commission (the "Commission") conducted an anti-dumping investigation on request of the domestic industry manufacturing Polyester Staple Fibre ("PSF") in the year 2008-2009 under Anti-Dumping Duties Ordinance 2000 (the "Ordinance") and Anti-Dumping Duties Rules 2001 (the "Rules"). The Commission initiated the investigation on July 29, 2008 under Section 23 of the Ordinance, made preliminary determination on February 6, 2009 under Section 37 of the Ordinance and final determination on June 5, 2009 under Section 39 of the Ordinance.

Decisions of the Commission to initiate investigation and preliminary and final determinations in this case were challenged in the Lahore High Court Lahore through subject Civil Petition No. 24852 of 2009. In an order dated May 11, 2010, the Lahore High Court Lahore has set a side the Commission's notifications and has directed the Commission to proceed afresh. Therefore, in pursuance of the Order of the Lahore High Court Lahore, the Commission has decided to initiate proceedings on imposition of anti-dumping duty on imports of PSF into Pakistan originating in and/or exported from the People's Republic of China. The Commission was obliged to initiate it earlier, however, the Commission was not functional in light of the decision of Supreme Court of Pakistan in Civil Petitions Nos. 1608, 1654, 1686, 1687, 1706-1708/2009 due to non-completion of the Commission since February 22, 2010. The Commission was completed on September 17, 2010. Consequently, the Commission has initiated this proceedings. Following procedure will be followed in these proceedings:

- i. Product in these proceedings (investigated product) would be the same as defined in Commission's notice No. 13/2008/NTC/PSF published in the Official Gazette and national press on July 29, 2008.
- ii. Same evidence and information received/collected during the investigation would be used for current proceedings.
- iii. Interested parties would be provided opportunities to comment on these proceedings of the Commission.
- iv. Date of initiation of proceedings would be the date of publication of this notice in the press in Pakistan.

Interested Parties.

Interested parties, as defined in Section 2(j) of the Ordinance, are requested to identify themselves to the Secretary, National Tariff Commission, State Life Building No. 5, Blue Area, Islamabad, Tel: +9251-9202839 Fax: +9251-9221205 not later than 7 days after the publication of this notice. An interested party applying for registration with the Commission in these proceedings 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 invited to make their views/comments about the proceedings (if any) not later than 15 days of the date of publication of this notice in the press in Pakistan. All submissions regarding the proceedings should be submitted to the Director General (Investigation-II), National Tariff Commission, State Life Building No. 5, Blue Area, Islamabad. Tel: +92 51 921 8961, Fax: +92 51 922 1205.

Hearing: Any interested party in this case may, if it so wishes, request a hearing in accordance with Rule 14 of the Rules within 15 days of the publication of this notice by contacting Secretary, National Tariff Commission, State Life Building No.5, Blue Area, Islamabad. Telephone No. +92-51-9202839, Fax No. +92-51-9221205.

Public File

In accordance with Rule 7 of the Anti-Dumping Duties Rules, 2001, the Commission has established and maintained a public file at the offices of the Commission, which shall be available to the interested parties for review and copying from Monday to Thursday between 1100 hours to 1300 hours throughout the proceedings.

Further Information

For further information please contact, Director General (Investigation-II), National Tariff Commission, Tel: +92-51-9218961, Fax: +92-51-9221205. General information may also be obtained by accessing the Commission's official website www.ntc.gov.pk

By order of the Commission.

(Muhammad Shahid) Secretary September 27, 2010