

ADA No. 03/2003/GAA
National Tariff Commission
Government Of Pakistan
State Life Building No. 5,
Blue Area Islamabad, Pakistan

Islamabad September 1, 2003

**NOTICE OF INITIATION OF ANTIDUMPING INVESTIGATION
AGAINST ALLEGED DUMPING OF GLACIAL ACETIC ACID
FROM CHINESE TAIPEI (TAIWAN)**

<u>Investigating Authority</u>	National Tariff Commission (hereinafter referred to as the “Commission”)
<u>Applicant</u>	Wah Nobel Acetates Limited (hereinafter referred to as the “Applicant”)
<u>Country of Export</u>	Chinese Taipei (Taiwan)
<u>Investigated Product</u>	Glacial Acetic Acid (the “investigated product”) is classified under Pakistan Customs Tariff (“PCT”) Code 2915.2100. Major uses of investigated product are in the manufacture of; cellulose acetate fibre, pure terephthalic acid (PTA), ester solvents, dyes and metal salts, textile processing, pharmaceuticals etc. However GAA accounts for a minor share in cost of production of these industries.

Application

The Applicant lodged the application on July 4, 2003 alleging dumping of the investigated product into Pakistan by Chang Chun Petrochemical Company Limited, 301 Songkiang Road, 7th Floor, Taipei-104, Taiwan, a producer and exporter from Taiwan. The Applicant represents 100 percent of the domestic production of the like product. The Applicant, therefore, constitutes the domestic industry.

Allegation of Dumping

The Applicant has alleged that investigated product is being exported to Pakistan from Taiwan at prices less than the normal value of the product.

Allegation of Injury

The Applicant has alleged that dumped imports of investigated product from Taiwan has caused and is causing material injury to the domestic industry, mainly, by way of; price under-cutting, price depression, price suppression, loss in market share, loss in capacity utilization, inventory build ups of domestic like product, negative cash flows on its operations etc. Resultantly the domestic industry has incurred losses on its operations.

Initiation of Investigation

The Commission hereby initiates the investigation pursuant to Section 23 of the Ordinance. The investigation will determine whether the investigated product originating in and exported from Taiwan is being dumped into Pakistan and whether such dumping has caused and/or is causing material injury to the domestic industry.

Collection of Information

In order to obtain data/information deemed necessary for the investigation, the Commission in terms of Rule 8 of the Antidumping Rules, 2001 (hereinafter referred to as the "Rules") will send questionnaires to all known exporters, foreign producers and importers of the investigated product. The Commission may also, during the course of this investigation, request for any further information/data deemed necessary for the purposes of this investigation.

Period of investigation ("POI")

For investigation of dumping: From July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003
For investigation of injury: From July 1, 2000 to June 30, 2003

Investigation Schedule

Date of initiation of investigation: The date of publication of this notice in the press in Pakistan.
Date of preliminary determination: Not earlier than 60 days and not later than 180 days from the date of initiation of investigation.
Date of final determination: Within 180 days of the date of publication of notice of preliminary determination 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, Tel: +9251 9202839 Fax: +9251-9221205 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.

Views/Comments of Interested Parties

All interested parties are invited to make their views/comments, submit information and documents (if any) not later than 45 days of the publication of this notice. Interested parties seeking any information to be kept confidential shall record reasons warranting confidentiality and shall furnish non-confidential summary of all such information. All data and information regarding this investigation should be submitted to the Secretary of the Commission.

Use of best information available

Where any interested party refuses or otherwise does not provide the required information within time limit prescribed or significantly impedes the investigation, preliminary or final determination by the Commission will be made on the basis of best information available in accordance with Section 32 and the Schedule to the Ordinance.

Public file

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

Further Information

For further information contact, Director General (Antidumping)
Tel: +9251-9218968, Fax: +9251-9221205. General information may also be obtained by
accessing Commission's website **www.ntc.gov.pk**

Authority under the Ordinance

This investigation is being conducted under the Antidumping Duties Ordinance
No. LXV of 2000. This notice is published in pursuance of Sections 27 and 34 of the
Ordinance.

By order of the Commission.

Secretary