

**ADC No. 23/2010/NTC/CP
Government of Pakistan
National Tariff Commission**

Notice of Initiation of Anti-dumping Investigation against Alleged Dumping of Certain Paper into Pakistan Originating in and/or Exported from China, Indonesia, Japan and Thailand

The National Tariff Commission (the “Commission”) received an anti-dumping application under Section 20 of the Anti-Dumping Duties Ordinance, 2000 (the “Ordinance”) on October 13, 2010 from M/s Packages Limited, Lahore, (hereinafter referred to as the “Applicant”) a domestic producer of writing/printing paper produced from 100 percent wood pulp (“Certain Paper”) alleging dumping of Certain Paper into Pakistan originating in and/or exported from the People’s Republic of China, the Republic of Indonesia, State of Japan and the Kingdom of Thailand (hereinafter collectively referred to as “Exporting Countries”).

Application by the Domestic Industry: The application fulfills the requirements of Section 24 of the Ordinance as the Applicant is the only producer of Certain Paper in the country and produced 100 percent of the total production of Certain Paper in the country during the period from October 2009 to June 2010. The Applicant has alleged dumping of Certain Paper into Pakistan by exporters/foreign producers from the Exporting Countries. It is further alleged that the dumped imports of Certain Paper from the Exporting Countries has caused injury, as defined in Section 2(i) of the Ordinance, to the domestic industry, mainly, by way of: volume of alleged dumped imports, price under-cutting, price suppression, price depression, increased losses, negative return on investment, negative effect on cash flows, and negative effect on wages & salaries.

Initiation of Investigation: In terms of Section 23 of the Ordinance, the Commission has examined the accuracy and adequacy of the information provided in the application and is satisfied that (i) the application has been made by the domestic industry, (ii) there is sufficient evidence to justify initiation of investigation. Therefore, the Commission hereby initiates an investigation pursuant to Section 23 of the Ordinance. The investigation will determine whether Certain Paper originating in and/or exported from the Exporting Countries is being dumped into Pakistan and whether such dumping has caused and/or is causing injury to the domestic industry. The Commission may also, during the course of this investigation, call for any further information/ data deemed necessary for the purposes of this investigation.

Product under Investigation: The product allegedly being dumped into Pakistan is coated and uncoated writing/printing paper produced from 100 percent wood pulp (“Certain Paper”) originating in and/or exported from the Exporting Countries (the “investigated product”) and is classified under Pakistan Customs Tariff Heading Nos. 4802.5510, 4802.5590, 4802.5600, 4802.5700, 4802.5890, 4802.6100, 4802.6200, 4810.1310, 4810.1320, 4810.1390, 4810.1400, 4810.1910, 4810.1990, 4810.2200. The investigated product is used for writing, printing, photocopying and other graphic purposes.

Period of Investigation (“POI”):

For investigation of dumping: From October 01, 2009 to September 30, 2010
For investigation of injury: From October 01, 2007 to September 30, 2010

Investigation Schedule:

Date of initiation of investigation: The date of publication of this notice in the newspapers in Pakistan

Date of preliminary determination: Not earlier than 60 days and not later than 180 days from the date of initiation of the 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, State Life Building No. 5, Blue Area, Islamabad, Tel: +9251-9218963 Fax: +9251-9221205 not later than 15 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 invited to make their views/comments known 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. All data and information regarding this investigation should be submitted to the Secretary of the Commission.

Limiting Examination to the largest Percentage of Volume of Exports: Keeping in view large number of exporters/foreign producers involved in exports of the investigated product from the Exporting Countries to Pakistan, the Commission may limit the investigation in terms of Section 14(2) of the Ordinance to the exporters representing largest percentage of volume of exports.

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

Public File: In accordance with Rule 7 of the Anti-Dumping Duties Rules, 2001, the Commission has established and shall maintain 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 (except public holidays) between 1100 hours to 1300 hours throughout the investigation.

Further Information: For further information please contact, Director General, National Tariff Commission, Tel: +9251-9218961, Fax: +9251-9221205. General information may also be obtained by accessing the Commission's official website www.ntc.gov.pk

By the order of the Commission.

(Imran Zia)
Secretary
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