ADC No. 43/2016/NTC/CDB Government of Pakistan National Tariff Commission

Notice of Preliminary Determination

in Anti-dumping Investigation Against Dumped Imports of One Side Coated Duplex
Board - Grey Back Into Pakistan Originating in and/or Exported From People's
Republic of China, Republic of Indonesia and Republic of Korea

The National Tariff Commission (the "Commission") initiated an anti-dumping investigation on January 30, 2016, under Section 23 of the Anti-Dumping Duties Act, 2015 (the "Act") after establishing that the application lodged by Century Paper & Board Mills Limited, Karachi (the "Applicant"), on behalf of domestic industry producing One Side Coated Duplex Board (Grey Back) (225-400 gsm) ("Duplex Board") was in accordance with Sections 20 and 24 of the Act. The investigation concerns dumping of Duplex Board, originating in and/or exported from the People's Republic of China ("China"), Republic of Indonesia ("Indonesia") and Republic of Korea ("Korea") (the "Exporting Countries") into Pakistan and material injury caused therefrom to the domestic industry producing Duplex Board. In accordance with provisions of the Act, and Anti-Dumping Duties Rules, 2001 (the "Rules"), the Commission has, after investigation, determined the following on preliminary basis:

<u>Product under Investigation</u>: The product being dumped into Pakistan is Duplex Board originating in and/or exported from the Exporting Countries and is classified under Pakistan Customs Tariff Headings No. 4810.9200 and 4810.9900 (the "investigated product").

<u>Period of Investigation (POI)</u>: For determination of dumping and injury, the POI is fixed as follows:

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

<u>Determination of Dumping:</u> The normal value and export price of the Duplex Board has been determined on the basis of best information available in terms of Section 32 of the Act and Schedule of the Act, as none of the exporter/foreign producer from the Exporting Countries provided the requisite information to the Commission. Dumping margins expressed as percentage of weighted average C&F price for exporters/foreign producers from the Exporting Countries are given below:

Country	Dumping Margin on C&F Basis
China	15.12%
Indonesia	12.87%
South Korea	34.57%

<u>Injury to the domestic industry</u>: Injury to the domestic industry has been determined in accordance with Part VI of the Act. The Commission has on preliminary basis established that the domestic industry suffered material injury on account of increase in volume of dumped imports, price undercutting, price depression, decline in production, decline in sales, market share, negative effect on capacity utilization, profitability, productivity,

salaries and wages per MT, return on investment, growth and ability to raise capital. The Commission has also examined factors other than dumped imports under Section 18(2) and 18 (3) of the Act, which could at the same time cause injury to the domestic industry. Analysis showed that the domestic industry has not been suffered due to others factors.

Imposition of Provisional Anti-Dumping Duty: In reaching this preliminary determination, the Commission is satisfied that the investigated product has been imported from the Exporting Countries at dumped prices. In order to prevent material injury during the course of this investigation, the Commission, pursuant to the powers conferred upon it under Section 43 of the Act, has decided to impose provisional anti-dumping duties at the rates mentioned below on C&F value in *ad val.* terms on imports of Duplex Board (PCT Heading No. 4810.9200 and 4810.9900) importable from the Exporting Countries for a period of four months effective from the date of publication of notice in the press, however, it would not be levied in terms of Section 51(1) e of the Act on imports that are to be used as inputs in products destined solely for exports. The anti-dumping duty rates are determined on C&F value in *ad val* terms and are as under:

Exporting Countries	Provisional Antidumping Duty (%)
China	15.12
Indonesia	12.87
South Korea	14.98

Provisional duties would not be collected from the plaintiffs in Suit No. 1046/2017 till further orders as the Honorable Sindh High Court, vide its interim order dated April 21, 2017 has held that no coercive action shall be taken against the plaintiffs.

Hearing: Any party registered as an interested party in this case may, if it so wishes, request a hearing in accordance with Rule 14 of the Rules within 10 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.

<u>Authority under Law:</u> This notice is published pursuant to Section 37 of the Act by order of the Commission.

-Sd-(Syed Ali Muhammad Shah) Secretary May 12, 2017