No. TP/D-InvIII/2018-19/1 Government of Pakistan Ministry of Commerce National Tariff Commission *****

Islamabad, July 12, 2018

Public Notice

Subject: - <u>Application for Protection/Assistance to the Indigenous Industry Manufacturing Aluminum</u> <u>Presensitized Printing Plates.</u>

- 1. M/s DuTech (Pvt.) Limited, Karachi (Applicant), a manufacturer of Aluminum Presensitized Printing Plates (PCT No. 3701.3020 and 3701.3030) has approached the National Tariff Commission (NTC) for removal of tariff anomaly by way of reducing the Customs Duty on its major raw materials i.e. Aluminum Sheet (PCT Nos. 7606.9190 and 7607.1990) and providing level playing field to the domestic industry. The Applicant is of the view that customs duty on its finished product is 11-16% whereas its major raw materials are subject to customs duty @ 11-20%.
- 2. NTC has initiated an inquiry and seeks views, suggestions and proposals from all parties having an interest in the business relating to or associated with the imports, exports, manufacturing, marketing and use of aluminum presensitized printing plates. Views/suggestions may be sent within fifteen days of issuance of this public notice, to the Secretary, NTC, 4th Floor, State Life Building No.5, Blue Area, Islamabad.
- 3. A public hearing on the issue is scheduled to be held on July 31, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. in the Committee Room on NTC, 11th Floor, State Life Building No.5, Blue Area, Islamabad.
- 4. Further, all parties having an interest in the business relating to or associated with the imports, exports, manufacturing, marketing and use of aluminum presensitized printing plates are hereby advised to get themselves registered with NTC latest by July 26, 2018 for participation in the public hearing by providing names of the participants with their telephone numbers (Cell/LL) and fax numbers to the Secretary NTC on fax No.051-9221205. For any further inquiry please contact Director General (Inv-III) at 051-9244476. All interested parties may submit their comments and suggestions in writing. The comments and suggestions may be supported with requisite, information and documentary evidence(s), which must be brought to the public hearing. The views not supported with reliable documentary evidence(s) shall not be considered.

Secretary NTC