A.D.C No. 33/2015/NTC/PSF/NCR/2023 Government of Pakistan National Tariff Commission

Notice of Conclusion of Newcomer Review to Determine Individual Dumping Margin and Rate of Anti-Dumping Duty for M/s Huzhou Zhonglei Chemical Fiber Co., Ltd., an Exporter of Polyester Staple Fiber from the People's Republic of China

National Tariff Commission (the "Commission") under Section 60 of the Anti-Dumping Duties Act, 2015 (the "Act") and Chapter VI of Anti-Dumping Duties Rules, 2022 (the "Rules") has conducted a Review ("Newcomer Review") to determine individual dumping margin and anti-dumping duty rate for Huzhou Zhonglei Chemical Fiber Co., Ltd. (the "Applicant") for its exports of Polyester Staple Fiber from the People's Republic of China ("China") to Pakistan. The Newcomer Review was initiated on November 24, 2023, upon receipt of an application under Section 60 of the Act and the Rule 34 of the Rules. The Commission had imposed anti-dumping duties ranging from 2.82% to 11.51% with effect from October 02, 2020, for a period of five years on dumped imports of Polyester Staple Fiber imported from China. The Applicant's exports of Polyester Staple Fiber were subject to anti-dumping duty rate of 11.51 percent ad valorem that is applicable for "all other exporters/ producers". In accordance with the provisions of the Act and the Rules, the Commission has conducted and concluded the Newcomer Review as follows:

Product under Newcomer Review: The product subject to the antidumping duty is Polyester Staple Fiber, not exceeding 2.0 denier and excluding colored and regenerated polyester staple fiber ("PSF"), which is classified under Pakistan Customs Tariff Code No. 5503.2010 exported by the exporters / producers from China. It is generally used in the production of blended yarn and pure polyester sewing thread. The blended yarn is used to produce woven and knitted fabrics.

Period for Newcomer Review ("POR"): The Newcomer Review is conducted on the basis of information from July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023.

Findings of the Review: Based on the Newcomer Review, the Commission has concluded that:

- a) the Applicant has not exported PSF to Pakistan during the original POI as well as during the period of Sunset Review; and
- b) the Applicant is not related to any exporter(s) or producers(s) who are subject to definitive antidumping duties imposed on PSF originating in and/or exported from China to Pakistan.

Determination and Imposition of Anti-Dumping Duty: The Commission has determined individual dumping margin for the Applicant on the basis of verified data/information provided by the Applicant. Normal value, export price and individual dumping margin for the Applicant has been determined in accordance with Parts III, IV and V of the Act on the basis of the information provided by the Applicant. In terms of Section 14(1) of the Act, the Commission has determined individual anti-dumping duty at the rate of 4.37 percent ad valorem of C&F price of the Applicant. The Commission, therefore, has imposed an anti-dumping duty at the rate of 4.37 percent ad valorem of C&F price of the Applicant. The Commission, therefore, has imposed an anti-dumping duty at the rate of 4.37 percent ad valorem of C&F price of SEC on PSF imported from M/s Huzhou Zhonglei Chemical Fiber Co., Ltd. China, under PCT Code No. 5503.2010 with effect from November 24, 2023.

However, in accordance with Section 51(ea) of the Act, the definitive antidumping duty shall not be levied on imports of the Product Under Review that are used as inputs in products destined solely for exports or for use in the foreign grant-in-aid projects and are covered under any scheme exempting customs duties for exports or foreign grant-in-aid projects under the Customs Act, 1969 (IV of 1969).

The antidumping duties levied on imports of the PSF would be in addition to other taxes and duties leviable on its imports under any other law. The definitive antidumping duty would be collected in the same manner as customs duty is collected under the Customs Act, 1969 (IV of 1969) and would be deposited in the head of account "G1270X", titled "National Tariff Commission Fund" maintained with State Bank of Pakistan.

Further Information: A non-confidential version of the detailed report of conclusion of Newcomer Review is issued in accordance with Rule 12 of the Rules and is placed in the Public File established and maintained by the Commission under Rule 7 of the Rules. The same shall also be accessible on the Commission's official website <u>www.ntc.gov.pk</u>.

Authority under Law: This notice is published pursuant to Section 39 of the Act by order of the Commission.

(Khizar Hayat) Secretary (NTC) November 18, 2024