

Notice of Conclusion of Second Sunset Review of Anti-Dumping Duties Imposed on Dumped Imports of Hydrogen Peroxide Imported from Belgium, China, Indonesia, Korea, Chinese Taipei, Thailand and Turkey

The National Tariff Commission (the "Commission") under Section 58 of the Anti-Dumping Duties Act, 2015 (the "Act") has conducted a review ("Second Sunset Review") of anti-Dumping duties imposed on dumped imports of Hydrogen Peroxide imported from Belgium, China, Indonesia, Korea, Chinese Taipei, Thailand and Turkey (the "Exporting Countries"). The Second Sunset Review was initiated on August 28, 2020 upon receipt of an application under Section 58(3) of the Act from M/s Sitara Peroxide Limited, Faisalabad and M/s Descon Oxychem Limited, Lahore (the "Applicants"), the domestic producers of Hydrogen Peroxide. The Commission had imposed anti-dumping duties with effect from September 27, 2010 for a period of five years on Hydrogen Peroxide imported from the Exporting Countries. In terms of Section 58 of the Act, before expiry of the above mentioned definitive anti-dumping duties, the Commission conducted a sunset review on the request of domestic industry of HP and decided to continue definitive anti-dumping duties as per the rates given in the table below for another period of 5 years with effect from September 02, 2015.

In accordance with provisions of the Act and the Anti-Dumping Duties Rules, 2001 (the "Rules"), the Commission has conducted and concluded the Second Sunset Review as follows:

Product under Review: The product for which this Review has been requested is Hydrogen Peroxide classified under Pakistan Customs Tariff ("PCT") No. 2847.0000. It is used as a bleaching agent in textile industry, paper & pulp industry, for sterilization of packaging material of milk, fruit juices etc. (aseptic packaging) and general purpose as oxidizing, detoxifying and deodorizing agent. It is also used for wastepaper treatment and soil remediation.

Period for Review (POR): The sunset review would be conducted on the basis of information for the last three years i.e. from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2020.

Likely Volume of Dumped Imports: After imposition of antidumping duties on dumped imports of the investigated product (the product under review) in September 27, 2010 and September 02, 2015, the exporters / producers of HP from the Exporting Countries stopped or reduced significantly their exports of the product under review to Pakistan. The Commission has concluded that removal of antidumping duties on dumped imports of the product under review would likely lead to significant increase in its volume.

Likelihood of Recurrence of Dumping from Exporting Countries: Based on the analysis of a number of factors, the Commission has determined that there is likelihood of continuation and/or recurrence of dumping of the product under review from the Exporting Countries if antidumping duties imposed on dumped imports of the product under review are terminated.

Likely Continuation and Recurrence of Injury to the Domestic Industry: Likelihood of continuation and/or recurrence of injury to the domestic industry has been determined by the Commission in accordance with Section 58 (3) of the Act. In this regard factors and indices listed in Sections 15 and 17 of the Act for injury analysis have been analyzed. The Commission has determined that, in case the anti-dumping duties are terminated, the domestic industry would be likely to suffer material injury on account of volume of imports, decline in production, sales, capacity utilization, market share, productivity and negative effects on profits, cash flow, return on investment etc.

Continuation of Definitive Anti-dumping Duties: In view of the analysis and conclusions with regard to likely continuation and recurrence of dumping of the product under review from the Exporting Countries and likely material injury to the domestic industry, there is a need to continue imposition of definitive anti-dumping duties on dumped imports of the product under review. Thus, the Commission has decided to continue definitive anti-dumping duties as per following table for another period of 5 years with effect from September 2, 2020. However, in accordance with Section 51(e) of the Act, definitive antidumping duties will not be levied on

imports of the product under review that are used as inputs in products destined solely for exports and are covered under any scheme exempting customs duty for exports under the Customs Act, 1969:

Definitive Anti-Dumping Duty Rates

Exporter/Foreign Producer	Duty Rates (% of C&F Price)
Belgium	
Evonik Degussa, Germany and Evonik Degussa, Belgium	9.20
All others	84.48
China	
All exporters	71.93
Indonesia	
Evonik Degussa, Indonesia	25.20
All others	25.20
South Korea	
Evonik Degussa, Korea and Evonik Headwaters	14.77
Hansol	0.00
OCIC and OCI	0.00
All others	14.77
Chinese Taipei	
All exporters	35.61
Thailand	
Thai Peroxide	3.52
All others	25.04
Turkey	
All exporters	25.61

Further Information: A non-confidential version of the report on conclusion of Sunset Review has been placed on public file established and maintained by the Commission for this Sunset Review. The report has also been posted on the Commission's website: www.ntc.gov.pk. The public file shall be available to the interested parties, registered with the Commission for the purposes of this Sunset Review, for review and copying at the offices of the Commission, from Monday to Thursday (except public holidays) between 1100 hrs to 1300 hrs.

By order of the Commission.

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