

S.S.R. No.50 /2016/NTC/SR-I/2022
National Tariff Commission
Government of Pakistan

Notice of Initiation of Sunset Review of Anti-Dumping Duties levied on Dumped Imports of Polyvinyl Chloride Resin Suspension Grade into Pakistan Originating in and / or Exported from the People's Republic of China, Chinese Taipei, Republic of Korea and Kingdom of Thailand

The National Tariff Commission (the "Commission") received an application under Section 58(3) of the Anti-Dumping Duties Act, 2015 (the "Act") on April 22, 2022 from M/s Engro Polymer and Chemicals Limited, Karachi (the "Applicant"), for review of antidumping duties imposed on dumped imports of Polyvinyl Chloride Resin-Suspension Grade ("PVC Resin") into Pakistan originating in and/or exported from the People's Republic of China, Chinese Taipei, Republic of Korea and Kingdom of Thailand (the "Exporting Countries"). The Applicant is the domestic producer of PVC Resin. This application was made following the notice of impending expiry of definitive anti-dumping duties published in national press and Official Gazette on March 08, 2022.

Product under Review:

The product under review is Polyvinyl Chloride Resin-Suspension Grade ("PVC Resin") imported from the Exporting Countries. The investigated product falls under Pakistan Customs Tariff ("PCT") No. 3904.1090 (the "product under review"). The product under review has large number of end-use applications. It is mainly used in the manufacturing of pipes & fittings, garden hose, shoes, cables, films & sheets, compounding, packing etc.

Anti-dumping Duties in force:

The Commission imposed definitive anti-dumping duties on all exporters/producers from the Exporting Countries ranging from 3.44 to 20.47 percent ad val on dumped imports of PVC Resin for a period of five years with effect from June 13, 2017. Definitive antidumping duties will lapse on June 12, 2022 unless a review is initiated before the date of expiry of such anti-dumping duties.

Application/Basis for Review:

The Applicant has alleged that expiry of anti-dumping duties would likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping of PVC Resin from the Exporting Countries and injury to the domestic industry producing PVC Resin. On examination of the information and evidence provided in application, the Commission has, *prima facie*, determined that there is sufficient evidence to justify initiation of a sunset review under Section 58(3) of the Act.

Initiation of Review:

The Commission hereby initiates a sunset review pursuant to Section 58(3) of the Act to determine whether the expiry of the anti-dumping duties imposed on dumped imports of PVC Resin from the Exporting Countries would likely lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping and injury or not.

Continuation of Anti-dumping Duties:

In terms of Section 58(3) of the Act, the anti-dumping duties imposed on dumped imports of PVC Resin from the Exporting Countries will remain in-force pending the outcome of this review.

Period for Review (POR):

The period of review ("POR") for sunset review would be the last three years from January 01, 2019 to December 31, 2021. The Applicant has submitted information and evidence for this period to determine likelihood of continuation of dumping and injury to the domestic industry in accordance with provisions of Section 58 of the Act.

Schedule of Review:

Date of initiation of review: The date of publication of this notice in the press in Pakistan.

Date of conclusion of review: Within twelve months of the date of publication notice of initiation of the review.

Interested Parties:

Interested parties, as defined in Section 2(j) of the Act, are requested to identify themselves to the Secretary, National Tariff Commission, State Life Building No. 5, Blue Area, Islamabad, Tel: +9251-9202839 Fax: +9251-9221205 not later than 10 days after publication of this notice. An interested party applying for registration with the Commission in this review 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.

Hearing:

Any party as defined in Section 2(j) of the Act may, if so wishes, request a hearing in accordance with Rule 14 of the Rules within 45 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

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 its offices, which shall be available to interested parties for review and copying from Monday to Thursday between 1100 hours to 1300 hours (except public holidays) throughout the review.

Further Information:

For further information please contact, Director, National Tariff Commission, Tel: +9251-9212521, Fax: +92-51-9221205. Information regarding this sunset review may also be obtained by accessing the Commission's official website www.ntc.gov.pk.

By the order of the Commission.

**(Ali Muhammad Shah)
Secretary, NTC
June 08, 2022**