## A.D.C No. 63/2023/NTC/PBF Government of Pakistan National Tariff Commission

## Notice of Initiation of Anti-Dumping Investigation on Alleged Dumped Imports of Paint Brush Filaments Originating in and/or Exported from the People's Republic of China into Pakistan

National Tariff Commission (the "Commission") has received an application on December 01, 2023 under Section 20 of Anti-Dumping Duties Act, 2015 (the "Act") from M/s Universal Brushwares (Pvt.) Limited, Karachi (the "Applicant"). The Applicant is a producer of Paint Brush Filaments. The Applicant has alleged that Paint Brush Filaments are being exported to Pakistan at dumped prices from the People's Republic of China ("China"), which has caused and is causing injury within the meaning of the Act to the domestic industry producing domestic like product.

Upon initial examination, assessing accuracy and adequacy of the evidence/information provided in application in accordance with Section 23 of the Act, the Commission is satisfied that the evidence and information provided in the application is sufficient to justify initiation of an investigation.

**Initiation of Investigation:** The Commission hereby initiates an investigation pursuant to Section 23 of the Act. The investigation will determine whether Paint Brush Filaments originating in and/or exported from China are dumped into Pakistan and whether such dumping has caused and /or threaten to cause injury to the domestic industry within the meaning of provisions of the Act. The Commission, during course of this investigation, will call further information/data from the interested parties deemed necessary for the purposes of this Investigation.

**Product under Investigation:** The product allegedly being dumped into Pakistan is Paint Brush Filaments (the "investigated product"). The investigated product is classified under Pakistan Customs Tariff ("PCT") Heading Nos 5404.1900 and 5404.9000. However, the Applicant has stated that the investigated product is also imported under PCT 5406.0000. Therefore, this aspect will also be investigated and will be determined during the investigation, whether investigated product falls under PCT No. 5406.0000. Interested parties are encouraged to assist the Commission in this regard. The Investigated product is used in manufacturing of paint brushes.

Period of Investigation (POI): For determination of dumping and injury, the POI is as follows:

For determination of dumping: From October 01, 2022, to September 30, 2023 From January 01, 2022, to September 30, 2023

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 investigation should submit: name of the company, its line of business, name of authorized person, address, telephone number, email 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 written submissions provided by interested parties on a confidential basis must be marked "Confidential" and in accordance with Section 31 of the Act, shall be accompanied by a non-confidential version/summary which will be placed in the public file. All data and information in this regard should be submitted to the Director General (Investigation-II), National Tariff Commission, State life Building No.5, Blue Area, Islamabad. Tel: +92 51 9218961, Fax: +92 51 922 1205. Email: Khizar.ntc@gmail.com

Investigation Schedule:

Date of initiation of investigation:	The date of publication of this notice in the press in Pakistan.
Date of preliminary determination.	Not earlier than 60 days and not later than 180 days from the date of initiation of the investigation.
Date of final determination	Within 180 days of the date of publication of notice of preliminary determination in the press in Pakistan

**Public File:** In accordance with Rule 7 of the Anti-Dumping Duties Rules 2022, the Commission has established and shall maintain a public file at its office, 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, Mr. Zubair Bashir Chaudhry, Deputy Director, Tel: +92-51-9244494, Fax: +92-51-9221205, Email: zubairch85@gmail.com. General information may also be obtained by accessing the Commission's official website www.ntc.gov.pk

By order of the Commission.

(Khizar Hayat) Secretary (NTC) January 19, 2024