

Notice of Initiation of Sunset Review of Anti-Dumping Duty Imposed on Dumped Imports of Cold Rolled Coils/Sheets into Pakistan Originating in and/ or Exported from Canada and the Russian Federation

National Tariff Commission (the “Commission”) received an application on November 22, 2023, under Section 58 of the Anti-Dumping Duties Act, 2015 (the “Act”) and Rule 32 of the Anti-Dumping Duties Rules, 2022 (the “Rules”) from M/s Aisha Steel Mills Limited, Karachi, and M/s International Steel Limited, Karachi (the “Applicants”) for Review of the anti-dumping duty imposed on dumped imports of the flat-rolled products of iron or non-alloy steel, cold rolled (cold-reduced), not clad, plated or coated, of prime and secondary quality, of a thickness ranging from 0.15 mm to 3.00 mm in rolls or slit to length sheets (“CR Coils/Sheets”) into Pakistan originating in and/or exported from Canada and the Russian Federation (the “Exporting Countries”). The Applicants are domestic producers of CR Coils/Sheets. The application is filed in response to the notice of impending expiry of the anti-dumping duty imposed on CR Coils/Sheets from the Exporting Countries. The notice of impending expiry was published in the official Gazette and national press on October 09, 2023.

Product under Review:

The product for which this Review is initiated is flat-rolled products of iron or non-alloy steel, cold rolled (cold-reduced), not clad, plated or coated (“CR Coils/Sheets”), of prime and secondary quality, of a thickness ranging from 0.15 mm to 3.00 mm, originating in and/or exported from the Exporting Countries to Pakistan (the “product under Review”). The said product is classified under Pakistan Customs Tariff Heading Nos. 7209.1510, 7209.1590, 7209.1610, 7209.1690, 7209.1710, 7209.1790, 7209.1810, 7209.1891, 7209.1899, 7209.2510, 7209.2590, 7209.2610, 7209.2690, 7209.2710, 7209.2790, 7209.2810 and 7209.2890. The product under review is used for the fabrication of steel products for construction, storage racks, automotive parts and bodies, railway coaches, highway products, transmission towers, transmission poles, pipes, household products, firearms, various types of equipment, etc.

Period of Review (“POR”):

The Sunset Review would be conducted on the basis of information for the last three years i.e. from October 01, 2020, to September 30, 2023.

Basis for Review:

The Applicants have claimed that there is a likelihood of continuation or recurrence of dumping of the product under review into Pakistan by the exporters/foreign producers from the Exporting Countries which may lead to continuation or recurrence of injury to the domestic industry. The Applicants have provided in the application fairly acceptable information and evidence in accordance with provisions of the Act.

Initiation of Review:

Upon initial examination of the information and evidence provided in the application, the Commission is satisfied that the application *prima facie* qualifies for initiation of the Review under Section 58 of the Act. Therefore, the Commission has decided to initiate a Review pursuant to Section 58 of the Act to determine whether the expiry of the anti-dumping duty imposed on imports of CR Coils/Sheets from the Exporting Countries would likely lead to the continuation or recurrence of dumping of the product under review and injury to the domestic industry, or not.

Continuation of Anti-dumping Duty:

The anti-dumping duty on the import of CR Coils/Sheets from the Exporting Countries is currently enforced till September 19, 2024. Further, in terms of Section 58(3) of the Act, the anti-dumping duty will remain enforced pending the outcome of the Review.

Schedule of Review:

Date of initiation of the 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 of 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 the 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 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: +92-51-9218968, Fax: +92-51-9221205, Email: hamoodrauf@ntc.gov.pk.

Hearing:

Any party as defined in Section 2(j) of the Act may, so wishes, request a hearing in accordance with Rule 14 of the Anti-Dumping Duties Rules, 2022 ("the Rules") within 30 days of the publication of this notice by contacting the Secretary, National Tariff Commission.

Public File:

In accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules, 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 Bahir Ch., Director, Tel: +92-51-9244494, Fax: +92-51-9221205, General information may also be obtained by accessing the Commission's official website www.ntc.gov.pk

By order of the Commission.

(Ali Muhammad Shah)
Secretary (NTC)
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