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DETERMINATION OF CUSTOMS VALUES OF BLEACHED/UNBLEACHED KRAFT LINER BOARD UNDER SECTION 25-A OF THE CUSTOMS ACT, 1969

(VALUATION RULING NO.833/2016)

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969, the Customs values of Bleached/Unbleached Kraft Liner Board & Paper are determined as follows:-

- Description of the valuation issue: The Customs value of Bleached/Unbleached Kraft Liner Board and Unbleached Sack Kraft Paper were determined under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969, vide Valuation Ruling No.721/2015 dated 17.02.2015. In this context, the All Pakistan Papers Merchants Association has requested for revisiting the above mentioned Ruling to reflect the current prices prevalent in international market. Accordingly an exercise was undertaken to examine contents of the association's request and to determine the Customs values of the subject goods in the light of prevailing international market prices.
- 2. Method adopted to determine customs values: Valuation methods provided in Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 were duly followed and applied sequentially to address the valuation issue at hand. Transaction value method provided in Sub-Section (1) of Section 25 was found inapplicable because it is generally known to all that majority of invoices produced at import stage are manipulated/fabricated and hence the requisite information required under the law was not available to arrive at the correct transaction value. Identical / similar goods value method provided in Sub-Sections (5) & (6) of Section 25 ibid were examined for applicability to determine Customs value of subject goods, this data provided some references, however, it was found that the same cannot be solelyrelied upon due to the absence of absolute demonstrable evidence of qualities, and quantities of commercial level etc., and also it was observed that importers usually provided misleading description while declaring goods, as other types and varieties of similar goods to avoid the application of valuation ruling. Information available was, hence, found inappropriate. In line with the statutory sequential order of Section 25, this office then conducted a market inquiry using Deductive Value Method under Sub-Section (7) of the Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969, however, it was found that the determination of Customs value could not be based solely upon this method either. Therefore, valuation method provided vide Section 25 (8) of Customs Act 1969, could not be applied as the conversion cost from constituent materials and allied expenses, at country of export were are not available. Finally, Pral database, market information was evaluated and international prices from internet sources were thoroughly examined. All the information so gather was analyzed for determination of Customs Value.

Consequently, the Fall Back Method as provided under section 25(9) of the Customs Act, -1969 was applied to arrive assessable customs values of Bleached/Unbleached Kraft Liner Board/Paper in this case.

- 3. Stakeholders' participation in determination of customs values: Meeting was convened with stakeholders on 21.03.2016 wherein their views were sought regarding valuation of subject items. During the meeting it was decided that Sack Kraft Paper is a non commercial item and used for cement industry only therefore, Sack Kraft Paper is to be deleted from the instant Valuation Ruling. However, the valuation trend of this item will be monitored for consistency, variation and fluctuation.
- 4. Customs Values of Bleached/Unbleached Kraft Liner Board hereinafter specified shall be assessed to duty/taxes on the Customs values mentioned against them in the Table below:

S.No.	Description	PCT Heading	Proposed PCT for WeBOC	Origin	Customs Value (C&F) US\$ / Kg
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	Bleached/white Kraft Liner Board	4804.1100 4804.1900	4804.1100.1000 4804.1900.1000	Portugal/ Poland & Czech Republic	0.73
			4804.1100.1100 4804.1900.1100	Australia	0.75
			4804.1100.1200 4804.1900.1200	Sweden/Austria/France/ Germany/Belgium/Finland	0.78
			4804.1100.1300 4804.1900.1300	U.K/Ireland	0.79
01			4804.1100.1400 4804.1900.1400	China	0.62
			4804.1100.1500 4804.1900.1500	U.S.A / Canada	0.75
			4804.1100.1600 4804.1900.1600	UAE/Saudi Arabia	0.63
			4804.1100.1700 4804.1900.1700	Brazil	0.72
	2	V	4804.1100.1800 4804.1900.1800	Japan	0.65
			4804.1100.1900 4804.1900.1900	Other Origins	0.73
02	ANN		4804.1100.2000 4804.1900.2000	Portugal/ Poland & Czech Republic	0.76
			4804.1100.2100 4804.1900.2100	Australia	0.78
	Bleached/white Kraft Liner Paper	4804.1100 4804.1900	4804.1100.2200 4804.1900.2200	Sweden/Austria/France/ Germany/Belgium/Finland	0.82
			4804.1100.2300 4804.1900.2300	U.K/Ireland	0.83
			4804.1100.2400 4804.1900.2400	China	0.65



			4804.1100.2500 4804.1900.2500		0.7
			4804.1100.2600 4804.1900.2600	UAE/Saudi Arabia	0.6
			4804.1100.2700 4804.1900.2700	50000000000000000000000000000000000000	0.7
			4804.1100.2800 4804.1900.2800	The state of the s	0.6
			4804.1100.2900 4804.1900.2900		0.7
	-		4804.1100.3000 4804.1900.3000	Republic	0.6
			4804.1100.3100 4804.1900.3100	Australia	0.6
			4804.1100.3200 4804.1900.3200	Sweden/Austria/France/ Germany/Belgium/Finland	0.7
03	Unbleached/brown Kraft Liner Board	4804.1100 4804.1900	4804.1100.3300 4804.1900.3300	U.K/Ireland	0.7
			4804.1100.3400 4804.1900.3400	China	0.5
		20.70	4804.1100.3500 4804.1900.3500	U.S.A / Canada	0.6
		1	4804.1100.3600 4804.1900.3600	UAE/Saudi Arabia	0.5
			4804.1100.3700 4804.1900.3700	Brazil	0.6:
			4804.1100.3800 4804.1900.3800	Japan	0.58
			4804.1100.3900 4804.1900.3900	Other Origins	0.66
			4804.1100.4000 4804.1900.4000	Portugal/ Poland & Czech Republic	0.68
			4804.1100.4100 4804.1900.4100	Australia	0.69
			4804.1100.4200 4804.1900.4200	Sweden/Austria/France/ Germany/Belgium/Finland	0.73
04	Unbleached/brown Kraft Liner Paper	4804.1100 4804.1900	4804.1100.4300 4804.1900.4300	U.K/Ireland	0.74
VT			4804.1100.4400 4804.1900.4400	China	0.58
			4804.1100.4500 4804.1900.4500	U.S.A / Canada	0.70
			4804.1100.4600 4804.1900.4600	UAE/Saudi Arabia	0.60



4804.1100.4700 4804.1900.4700	Brazil	0.72
4804.1100.4800 4804.1900.4800	Japan	0.68
4804.1100.4900 4804.1900.4900	Other Origins	0.69

- 5. In cases where declared / transaction values are higher than the Customs values determined in this Ruling, the assessing officers shall apply those values in terms of Sub-Section (1) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969. In case of consignments imported by air, the assessing officer shall take into account the differential between air freight and sea freight while applying the Customs values determined in this Ruling.
- Validity of Valuation Ruling: The values determined vide this Ruling shall be the applicable Customs value for assessment of subject imported goods until and unless it is rescinded or revised by the competent authority in terms of Sub-Sections (1) or (3) of Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969.
- 7. Review of the value determined vide this Valuation Ruling: A review petition may be filed against this Ruling, as provided under Section 25-D of the Customs Act. 1969. within 30 days from the date of issue, before the Director General, Directorate General of Customs Valuation, 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
- The Collectors of Customs may kindly ensure that the values given in the Ruling for the given description of goods are applied by the concerned staff without fail. Any anomaly observed with respect to PCT may kindly be brought to the notice of Directorate General immediately.

This Valuation Ruling Supersedes Valuation Ruling No. 721/2015 dated 17.02.2015

Director

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