

The Collectors of Customs, Model Customs Collectorates, Appraisement (East / West)/
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Determination of Customs Values of Plain Aluminium Foil & Aluminium Sheets under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969

(VALUATION RULING NO. \$51/2016)

No.Misc/16/2013-VI

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969,

Dated: May 09, 2016

2. Background of the valuation issue: Recently the importers of Aluminium Foil & Aluminium Sheets have agitated against the customs values of Aluminium Foil & Aluminium Sheets determined vide Valuation Ruling No.686/2014, dated 16-09-2014 mainly on the ground that the values of the subject goods are traded in the international market at much lower side. Moreover, requests of inclusions of other origins in the ruling have also been received in this Directorate General. Thus, an exercise to determine the Customs values of the subject goods afresh was initiated.

Customs values of Plain Aluminium Foil & Sheets, are determined as follows: -

- 3. Stakeholders' participation in determination of Customs values: A meeting was held on 03-05-2016 with stakeholders including the representatives of importers and manufacturers and trade bodies. All the participants were requested to submit the following documents so that correct customs values could be determined:
 - i) Invoices of imports during last three months showing factual value.
 - ii) Websites, names and E-mail addresses of known foreign manufacturers of the item in question through which the actual current value can be ascertained.
 - iii) Copies of Contracts made / LCs opened during the last three months showing the value of item in question.
 - iv) Copies of Sales Tax Invoices issued during last four months showing the difference in price (excluding duty and taxes) to substantiate that the benefit of difference in price is passed on to the local buyers.
- 4. The requisite documents were not submitted by the participants. However, the manufacturers and importers were of the view that the prices should be equated with the international prices of aluminium alloy increased or decreased as reflected in the LMB. The existing Valuation Ruling may also be revised according to the trend recorded in the LMB.

5. Method adopted to determine Customs values: Valuation methods provided under Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 were followed. Transaction value method provided in Section 25 (1) was found inapplicable because the requisite information was not available. Identical / similar goods value Methods provided in Section 25(5) & (6) were examined which provided some reference value but due to wide variation could not be exclusively relied on. Deductive Value Method as envisaged under Section 25(7) of the Customs Act, 1969, was examined but the same was not helpful because the values varied according to the selling point of the market and all specifications were not readily available. Similarly, the

value method under Section 25(8) of the Customs Act, 1969, could not be applied due to non-availability of details of expenses relating to conversion costs incurred in the country of manufacture. Online values were also examined. Consequently, customs values of aluminium foil and sheet were determined under Section 25(9) of the Customs Act, 1969.

6. Customs values for Plain Aluminium Foil / Sheets: Plain Aluminium Foil / Sheets hereinafter specified shall be assessed to duty / taxes at the following Customs Values:-

S. No.	Description of goods	PCT	Proposed PCT for WEBOC	Origin	Customs Values (C&F) US\$/Kg
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
01.	Plain Aluminium Foil Upto 10 Micron	7607.1100	7607.1100.1000	China	3.2
			7607.1100.1100	Indonesia	3.3
02.	Plain Aluminium Foil 11to 20 Micron	7607.1100	7607.1100.1200	China	3.1
			7607.1100.1300	Indonesia	3.2
03.	Plain Aluminium Foil 21 to 65 Micron	7607.1100	7607.1100.1400	China	3.0
			7607.1100.1500	Indonesia	3.1
04.	Plain Aluminium Foil 66 to 100 Micron	7607.1100	7607.1100.1600	China	2.9
			7607.1100.1700	Indonesia	3.0
05.	Plain Aluminium Foil 101 to 150 Micron	7607.1100	7607.1100.1800	China	2.4
			7607.1100.1900	Indonesia	2.5
06.	Plain Aluminium Foil 151 to 200 Micron	7607.1100	7607.1100.2000	China	2.3
			7607.1100.2100	Indonesia	2.4
07.	Plain Aluminium Sheet 201 to 300 Micron	7606,1100	7607.1100.1000	China	2.2
			7607.1100.1100	Indonesia	2.3
08.	Plain Aluminium Sheet 301 to 400 Micron	7606.1100	7607.1100.1200	China	2.1
			7607.1100.1300	Indonesia	2.2
09.	Plain Aluminium Sheet 401 to 500 Micron	7606.1100	7607.1100.1400	China	2.0
			7607.1100.1500	Indonesia	2.1

- 7. 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.
- 8. Validity of this 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.

- 9. Revision of the value determined vide this Valuation Ruling: A revision 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 of this ruling, before the Director General, Directorate General of Customs Valuation, 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
- 10. 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 may kindly be brought to the notice of this Directorate General immediately. The Customs values determined in the ruling are for the descriptions and specifications as mentioned in Para 6. HS codes are mentioned for illustrative purposes only so that VR values are made accessible to the assessing officers. The assessment shall be finalized in the correct classifications after fulfilling all formalities relating to importability or any other certifications required thereon.

This ruling supersedes Valuation Ruling No.686 / 2014, dated 16,09-2014.

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1. Member (Customs), F.B.R., Islamabad.

- 2. Director General, Customs Valuation, Custom House, Karachi.
- 3. Chief Collector of Customs, South (Appraisement), Custom House, Karachi.
- 4. Chief Collector of Customs, South (Enforcement), Custom House, Karachi.
- Chief Collector of Customs (Central), Lahore.
- Chief Collector of Customs (North), Islamabad.
- 7. Director General, Intelligence and Investigation-FBR, Islamabad.
- Director General, Audit (Customs & Petroleum), 1st Floor, PT&T Audit Building, Mauj-e-Darya Road, Lahore.
- 09. Director General, Post Clearance Audit (PCA), Islamabad.
- 10. Director General, Internal Audit (Customs), Karachi.
- Directors, Intelligence & Investigation, Karachi / Lahore / Islamabad/ Quetta Peshawar/ Faisalabad.
- 12. Director, Directorate of Customs Valuation (Camp Office), Lahore.
- 13. Deputy Director (HQ), Directorate General of Customs Valuation, Karachi, for uploading in One Customs & WeBOC database system and deleting Valuation Ruling No.686/2014, dated 16-09-2014 from the system on the date of issue of this ruling.
- 14. Chairman (Valuation Committee), FPCC&I, Federation House, Clifton, Karachi.
- Chambers of Commerce & Industry, Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, Hyderabad, Quetta & Peshawar.
- 16. Law Section, Customs Valuation, 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
- 17. Review Section, Customs Valuation, 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
- 18. Karachi Customs Agents Group, Bohri Road, Karachi.
- 19. CHO, Customs Valuation, Custom House, Karachi.
- Notice Board, Customs Valuation 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi / MCC, Appraisement, 1st Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
- 21. Guard File.