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Determination of Customs Values of Copper Clad Laminated Sheets
under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969

(VALUATION RULING NO. 975/2016)

No. Misc/18/2014-VI

Dated: 24. 11. 2016

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969, Customs value of Copper Clad Laminated Sheets are determined as follows :-

2. **Background of the valuation issue:** Customs value of Copper Clad Laminated Sheets was determined and notified vide Valuation Ruling No.821/2016, dated 18-03-2016, A number of representations were received from stakeholders for revision of the aforementioned valuation ruling as the prices of raw material have decreased internationally. Therefore, this Directorate General initiated an exercise for determination of the customs values of the Copper Clad Laminated Sheets under Section 25A in order to reflect the prevailing international prices

3. **Stakeholders' participation in determination of Customs values:** A meeting for the determination of customs values of Copper Clad Laminated Sheets with stakeholders was scheduled on 24-11-2016. Different stakeholders, including importers, representatives of FPCC&I & KCC&I, besides clearance Collectorate were requested to attend. It was attended by a few commercial importers. The participants had been requested to submit the following documents: -

- 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. A few documents were submitted by the importers but all the requisite documents were not furnished. The importers were of the view that due to fall in the prices of petrochemical, copper and materials used for laminates have reduced significantly in the international market which has resulted in decrease in the prices of copper clad laminated sheets. During the meeting they also presented their LCs and invoices indicating values much lower than the existing values in the ruling. It was also clarified during the meeting that almost all import of the subject goods is from China. They also contended that there are



different types of copper clad laminated sheets, but the import in Pakistan is mostly of low quality sheets where base material is paper phenolic resin which is cheaper than glass epoxy resin base laminates.

5. **Method adopted to determine Customs values:** Valuation methods given in Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 were applied sequentially to address the valuation issue at hand. Transaction Value Method under Sub-Section (1) of Section 25 of the Act *ibid* was found inapplicable because required information under the law was not available. Identical and Similar Goods valuation methods provided in Sub-Sections (5) and (6) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 provided some reference values but due to wide variations in the declarations the same could not be relied upon exclusively. In the sequential order this office also conducted market inquiries in terms of Sub-Section (7) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969. Input and feed back by the participants during the Stakeholders' meetings were also considered. Online available information was also checked. All the available information was analyzed and evaluated. Keeping all the above in view, Customs values of Copper Clad Laminated Sheets are determined under Sub section (9) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969.

6. **Customs values for Copper Clad Laminated Sheets:** Copper Clad Laminated Sheets *hereinafter specified* shall be assessed to duty / taxes at the following Customs Value :-

| S.No. | Description of goods | PCT | Proposed PCT for WEOC | Origin | Customs Values(C&F) USS/KG |
|-------|------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------|--------|----------------------------|
| (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) |
| 01. | Copper Clad Laminated Sheets | 7410.2100 | 7410.2100.1000 | China | 2.90 |

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 Directorate General immediately. Customs



values determined in the ruling are for the description and specification as mentioned herein. PCT Codes are mentioned for illustrative purpose so that valuation ruling values are made accessible to the assessing officer. The assessment shall be finalized on the basis of correct classification after fulfilling requisite formalities related to importability or any other certification required thereon. In addition to this, it is further necessary to verify that there is no mis-declaration of any sort or violation of Import Policy Order or Section 15 of the Customs Act, 1969 or any other law in vogue therein.

11. *This ruling supersedes Valuation Ruling No.821/2016, dated 18-03-2016.*

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Director

Copy for information to :-

1. Member (Customs), F.B.R., Islamabad.
2. Director General, Customs Valuation, Custom House, Karachi.
3. Chief Collector of Customs, South (Appraisalment), Custom House, Karachi.
4. Chief Collector of Customs, South (Enforcement), Custom House, Karachi.
5. Chief Collector of Customs (Central), Lahore.
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7. Director General, Intelligence and Investigation-FBR, Islamabad.
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11. 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.821/2016, dated 18-03-2016 from the system on the date of issue of this ruling.
14. Chairman (Valuation Committee), FPCC&I, Federation House, Clifton, Karachi.
15. 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.
20. Notice Board, Customs Valuation 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi / MCC, Appraisalment, 1st Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
21. Guard File.