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DETERMINATION OF CUSTOMS VALUES OF LATEX RUBBER THREADS UNDER SECTION 25-A OF THE CUSTOMS ACT, 1969

(VALUATION RULING NO. 1275/2018)

No.DG/VDB/REF/Val/52/2016-III

Dated: March 27, 2018.

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969, Customs values of Latex Rubber Threads are determined as follows: -

2. **Background of the valuation issue:** The customs values of Latex Rubber Threads were determined under Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969, vide Valuation Ruling No.1214/2017 dated 27-09-2017 & followed by VDB No. 250/2018 dated 17-01-2018. However various representations were received wherein they requested the Directorate General for revision and rationalization of the existing Valuation Ruling in the light of transactional values prevailing in the international market.

Stakeholders' participation in determination of Customs values: Meetings with stakeholders were held on 31-01-2018 and 22-03-2018. The stakeholders were requested to this is the following documents before or during the course of above said meetings.

- A. Invoices of imports during last three months showing factual value.
- B. Websites, names and E-mail addresses of known foreign manufacturers of the item in question through which the actual current value can be ascertained.
- C. Copies of Contracts made / LCs opened during the last three months showing the value of item in question.
- D. Copies of Sales Tax Invoices issued during last four months showing the difference in price (excluding duty and taxes) to substantiate their contentions.
- 4. The meeting were attended by certain stakeholders. Importers were of the view that downward trend in prices has occurred and submitted documents in support of their claim.
- 5. Method Adopted to Determine Customs Values: Valuation methods given in Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 were followed to determine customs value of Latex Rubber Threads. Transaction value method provided in Section 25 (1) was found inapplicable owing to vide variations in declarations and certain incomplete description / information. Identical/ similar goods value methods provided in Section 25(5) & (6) were examined for applicability to the

valuation issue in the instant case but could not be applied for determination of value. In the sequential order this office also conducted market inquiries in terms of Sub-Section (7) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 and prices were procured from the local market. All the available information was analyzed and evaluated. Keeping all the above in view, Customs values of Latex Rubber Threads are determined under Sub-Section (7) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969.

 Customs Values of Latex Rubber Threads: Latex Rubber Threads, 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) in US\$/Kg
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
1.	Latex Rubber Threads (30 to 44 counts)		4007.0010.1000 4007.0090.1000	China	2.45
			4007.0010.1100 4007.0090,1100	Malaysia/ Thailand	2.50
	Latex Rubber Threads (45 to 55 counts)	4007.0010 4007.0090	4007.0010.1200 4007.0090.1200	China	2.55
2.			4007.0010.1300 4007.0090.1300	Malaysia/ Thailand	2.60
	Latex Rubber Threads (56 to 63 counts)		4007.0010.1400 4007.0090.1400	China	2.60
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•	Latex Rubber Threads (64 to 90 counts)	11	4007.0010.1600 4007.0090.1600	China	3.35
4.			4007.0010.1700 4007.0090.1700	Malaysia/ Thailand	3.40

- 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 Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969. In case of consignments imported by air, the assessing officer shall take into account air freight while applying the Customs values determined in this Ruling.
- 8. Validity of Valuation Ruling: The values determined vide this Ruling shall be the applicable Customs values 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, 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 this Valuation 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 in the above table of this Ruling. HS Codes are mentioned for illustrative purpose so that valuation ruling values are made accessible to the assessing officers. 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.1214/2017, dated 27.09.2017 & VDB No.250/2018 dated 17.01.2018.

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Director

Copy for information to : -

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

2. The Director General, Customs Valuation, Custom House, Karachi.

- 3. The Chief Collector of Customs, South (Appraisement), Custom House, Karachi.
- 4. The Chief Collector of Customs, South (Enforcement), Custom House, Karachi.
- 5. The Chief Collector of Customs (Central), Lahore.
- 6. The Chief Collector of Customs (North), Islamabad.
- The Director General, Intelligence and Investigation-FBR, Islamabad.
- The Director General, Audit (Customs & Petroleum), 1st Floor, PT&T Audit Building, Mauj-e-Darya Road, Lahore.
- 9. The Director General, Post Clearance Audit (PCA), Islamabad.
- 10. The Director General, Internal Audit (Customs), Karachi.
- The Directors, Intelligence & Investigation, Karachi / Lahore / Islamabad/ Quetta Peshawar/ Faisalabad.
- 12. The Director, Directorate of Customs Valuation (Camp Office), Lahore.
- The Deputy Director (HQ), Directorate General of Customs Valuation, Karachi, for uploading in One Customs & WeBOC database system and deleting Valuation Ruling No.1214/2017, dated 27.09.2017 and VDB No250/2018 dated 17.01.2018 from the system.
- 14. The Chairman (Valuation Committee), FPCC&I, Federation House, Clifton, Karachi.
- The Chambers of Commerce & Industry, Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, Hyderabad, Quetta & Peshawar.
- 16. The Law Section, Customs Valuation, 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
- 17. The Review Section, Customs Valuation, 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
- 18. The Karachi Customs Agents Group, Bohri Road, Karachi.
- 19. The 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.