DETERMINATION OF CUSTOMS VALUES OF SYNTHETIC RUBBER “NBR” & “SBR” UNDER SECTION 25-A OF THE CUSTOMS ACT, 1969

(VALEUATION RULING NO. 579 / 2013)

No.Misc/03/2012-III Dated: September 13, 2013

In exercise of the powers conferred under section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969, Customs values of Synthetic Rubber “NBR” and “SBR” are determined as follows:

1. Description of the valuation issue: A reference was received from Model Customs Collectorate Appraisement (East), Karachi, regarding under-invoicing in the subject import, therefore, an exercise to determine the Customs values of the subject goods was initiated.

2. Method adopted to determine Customs values: Valuation methods given in 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 for applicability to the valuation issue in the instant case which provided some reference values of the subject goods. Market enquiry as envisaged under Section 25 (7) of the Customs Act, 1969, was also conducted and value so worked-back were taken up for determination of Customs value of Synthetic Rubber “NBR” and “SBR”.

3. Stakeholders’ participation in determination of values: Meetings were held with stakeholders and importers including representatives of trade bodies to discuss the current international values of Synthetic Rubber “NBR” and “SBR”.

4. Customs values for Synthetic Rubber “NBR” and “SBR”: Synthetic Rubber “NBR” and “SBR” hereinafter specified shall be assessed to duty/taxes for all origins at the following customs values:

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<th>Description</th>
<th>Specification</th>
<th>PCT Code</th>
<th>Proposed PCT for WeBOC</th>
<th>Customs Values (C&amp;F) (US$ /Kg)</th>
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<td>Synthetic Rubber</td>
<td>NBR</td>
<td>4002.5900</td>
<td>4002.5900.1000</td>
<td>2.80</td>
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<td>SBR</td>
<td>4002.5900</td>
<td>4002.5900.1100</td>
<td>2.50</td>
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5. In cases where declared/Transaction values are higher than the Customs value 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.

6. 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 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.

8. The Collectors of Customs may kindly ensure that the values given in the Ruling are applied by the concerned staff without fail.

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Reply to:

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5. Chief Collector of Customs, South (Enforcement), Custom House, Karachi.
6. Chief Collector of Customs (Central), Lahore.
7. Chief Collector of Customs (North), Islamabad.
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