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Determination of Customs Values of Hot Melt Adhesive Glue Stick / Granules / Chips /
Pellets under section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969

(VALUATION RULING NO. 239 / 2015)

No.Misc/12/2015-II 8982 Dated: 02-06-2015

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969,
Customs values of Hot Melt Adhesive Glue Stick / Granules / Chips / Pellets are determined
as follows:

1. **Background of the valuation issue:** A number of cases of Hot Melt Adhesives were
referred to the Valuation Department for determination of Customs Values. With a
view to reflect the current prices prevailing in the international market, an exercise to
determine the Customs values of subject goods afresh was taken up.

2. **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
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 the same could not be relied upon. In the sequential order this office
then resorted to conduct a market inquiry in terms of Sub-Section (7) of Section 25 of
the Customs Act, 1969 but the gathered information could not be exclusively relied on.
Stakeholders meetings were also conducted for their input and feedback. On-line
values were also checked. All the information was analyzed and evaluated. Sub-
Section (9) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969, was applied to arrive at the
assessable Customs values.

3. **Stakeholders’ participation in determination of Customs values:** Meetings
were held with stakeholders and importers including representatives of trade
bodies on 22-04-2015 and 05-05-2015 to discuss the current international market
prices of subject goods.

4. **Customs values for Hot Melt Adhesive Glue Stick / Granules / Chips /
Pellets:** Hot Melt Adhesive Glue Stick / Granules / Chips / Pellets hereinafter specified
shall be assessed to duty / taxes at the following Customs Values:

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<tr>
<th>S. No.</th>
<th>Description of goods</th>
<th>PCT</th>
<th>Proposed PCT for WEBOC</th>
<th>Origin</th>
<th>Customs Values (C&amp;F) USS/Kg</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>01.</td>
<td>Hot Melt Adhesive glue stick</td>
<td>3506.9190</td>
<td>3506.9190.1000</td>
<td>All Origins</td>
<td>1.60</td>
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<td>02.</td>
<td>Hot Melt Adhesive granules / chips / pellets etc.</td>
<td>3506.9190</td>
<td>3506.9190.1100</td>
<td>China, Middle East, Far East excluding Japan</td>
<td>3.50</td>
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<td>3506.9190.1200 Japan, Europe, USA, Canada</td>
<td>4.00</td>
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<td>3506.9190.1300 Others</td>
<td>3.60</td>
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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.

6. **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 or section 25-D of the Customs Act, 1969.

7. **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 issuance of this Ruling, 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 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 for redressal.

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