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**Determination of Customs Values of EPE Liner/PE Foam Sheet/ Seal Wads Under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969.**

No.Misc/12/2018-II/1335

Dated: September 19, 2018

(VALUATION RULING NO. 1327 / 2018)

In exercise of powers conferred under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969, Customs values of EPE Liner/ Seal Wads are determined as follows:

2. **Background of the Valuation Issue:** It was brought to the notice of this Directorate General that values of EPE Liner/ Seal Wads are being declared to Customs at much lower values than the current international values. Verifications by this Directorate General re-affirmed this stance. A reference was also received from Board's vide letter C.No. 3(26)Tar-I/2017 dated 28-05-2018, regarding determination of customs values of EPE Liner/ Seal Wads. Keeping in view the prevailing prices of the subject items, this Directorate General initiated an exercise for determination of the Customs values of EPE Liner/ Seal Wads in terms of Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969.

**Stakeholders participation in determination of Customs values:** Meetings with stakeholders including importers and representatives from field formations were held on 31-07-2018 and 06-09-2018 to discuss the prices of the subject goods. The importers / stakeholders had been requested to submit the following documents before or during the course of stakeholders meeting so that customs values could be determined:

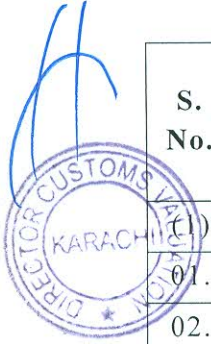
- i. Invoices of imports during last three months showing customs value.
- ii. Websites, names and E-mail addresses of known foreign manufacturers of the item in question through which the actual current value can be ascertained.
- iii. Copies of Contracts made / LCs opened during the last three months 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 their contentions.

4. During the meetings the stakeholders agreed that some unscrupulous elements are declaring the unit value below the value of raw materials and contended that the customs values may be determined in the light of price trend in the international markets. The view point of all participants was heard in detail and considered to arrive at Customs Value of the subject goods.



5. **Method adopted to determine Customs values:** Valuation methods provided in Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 were duly applied in their regular sequential order to arrive at customs values of subject goods. The transaction value method as provided in Sub-Section (1) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 was found inapplicable due to wide variation of values displayed in the import data. Thereafter, identical / similar goods value method as provided in Sub-Sections (5) & (6) of Section 25 ibid were examined for applicability to the valuation issue in the instant case. The wide variations in declarations were observed. Information available was hence, found inappropriate. In line with the statutory sequential order of Section 25, this office conducted market inquiries under Sub-Section (7) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969. Resultantly, Customs values of EPE Liner/ Seal Wads have been determined under section 25 (7) of the Customs Act, 1969 accordingly.

6. **Customs values for EPE Liner/ Seal Wads:** The EPE Liner/ Seal Wads *hereinafter specified* shall be assessed to duty / taxes at the following Customs Values:



S. No.	Description of goods	Origin	PCT	Proposed PCT for WeBOC	Customs Values (C&F) US\$/Kg
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
01.	The EPE Liner/ Seal Wads	China	3923.5000	3923.5000.1000	2.25
02.		Other origin	3923.5000	3923.5000.2000	2.50

6. 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 in this Ruling.

7. **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.

8. **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, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Custom House, Karachi.

9. 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 this Directorate General immediately. Customs values determined in the ruling are for the descriptions and specifications as mentioned in this Valuation Ruling. HS Codes are

