

## NOTICE 1614 OF 2003

## INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION OF SOUTH AFRICA

## CUSTOMS AND EXCISE TARIFF APPLICATIONS: LIST 11/2003

The following applications concerning the Customs and Excise Tariff have been received by the International Trade Administration Commission of South Africa (ITAC). Any objections to or comments on these representations should be submitted to the Chief Commissioner, ITAC, Private Bag X753, Pretoria, 0001, within six weeks of the date of this notice. Attention is drawn to the fact that the rates of duty mentioned in the applications are those requested by the applicants and that the Commission may, depending on its findings, recommend lower or higher rates of duty.

**CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

*Please note that if any information is considered to be confidential then a non-confidential version of the information must be submitted simultaneously with the confidential version. In submitting a non-confidential version the following rules are strictly applicable and parties must—*

- ☐ indicate where confidential information has been omitted and the nature of such information;
- ☐ provide a summary of the confidential information which permits a reasonable understanding of the substance of the confidential information; and
- ☐ in exceptional cases, where information is not susceptible to summary, submit reasons to this effect.

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If a party considers that any document of another party on which that party is submitting representations does not comply with the above rules and that such deficiency affects that party's ability to make meaningful representations, the details of the deficiency and the reasons why that party's rights are so affected must be submitted to the ITAC in writing forthwith (and at the latest 14 days prior to the date on which that party's submission is due). Failure to do so timeously will seriously hamper the proper administration of the investigation, and such party will not be able to subsequently claim an inability to make meaningful representations on the basis of the failure of such other party to meet the requirements.

***Rebate of the duty on:***

(1) "High-density polyethylene, classifiable under tariff subheading 3921.90.90, having a relative density of .094 in its primary form, for the manufacture of plates, sheets, film, foil, and strips of polyethylene of a thickness of 500 microns or more but not exceeding 2 000 microns, classifiable under tariff subheading 3921.90.26.

[BTT Ref. T5/2/7/4/1 (030005) Enquiries: Ms D. Mofokeng, Tel. (012) 428-7823, Fax: (012) 428-7744, E-mail: dudum@dti.pwv.gov.za]

*Note:* The intention of the provision is to benefit only the manufacturers of polyethylene geomembranes, classifiable under tariff subheading 3921.90.26.

***Applicant:***

Gundle Plastic Group (Pty) Ltd, P.O. Box 746, Germiston, 1400.

**Reason for the application:** The applicant has indicated that there are no local manufacturers/suppliers of high-density polyethylene in the SACU.

(2) Citric acid, classifiable under tariff subheading 2918.14 at 15% *ad valorem* to free of duty.

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***Applicant:***

South African Federation of Soft Drink Manufacturers, Private Bag X34, Auckland Park, 2006.

**Reason for the application:** South African Federation of Soft Drink Manufacturers, argues that citric acid is not manufactured in the SACU and that there is no justification for the 15% *ad valorem* duty.

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