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OF SOUTH AFRICA GENERAL NOTICE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE TARIFF APPLICATIONS

LIST 16/2003

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 <u>non-confidential</u> <u>version of the information must be submitted</u>, simultaneously with the confidential version. In sub

mitting 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.

This rule applies to all parties and to all correspondence with and submissions to ITAC which, unless indicated to be confidential and filed together with a non-confidential version, will be made available to other interested parties.

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 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.

INCREASE IN THE RATE OF DUTY ON

Salmon and other fish classifiable under tariff subheadings 0302.12, 0303.11, 0303.19, 0303.22, 0305.41, 0305.59.90 and 0305.69 from 6c/kg to 25 per cent ad valorem.

[T5/2/4/2/1 (26) Mr. A Zietsman Tel:(012) 428 7755, Fax: (012) 428 7744]

APPLICANT:

International Trade Administration Commission of SA Private bag X753 Pretoria.0001

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INCREASE OF CUSTOMS DUTY ON:

Gum rosin classifiable under the tariff subheading 3806.10 for the use in the manufacture of adhesives, bitumen emulsifiers, and paper sizing agents, road marking solutions and aggregate binders.

[ITAC Ref: T5/2/4/1(0330025), Enquiries: Ms Dudu Mofokeng, Tel:(012) 428 7823, Fax: (012) 428 7744, e-mail, dudum@dti.pwv.gov.za]

APPLICANT:

Industrial Oleochemical Products (Pty) Ltd 323 Chamberlain Road Jacobs Kwa-Zulu Natal

Reason for application:

- Industrial Oleochemical Products (Pty) ltd is the only manufacturer of gum rosin and protection against low priced imports from China is needed.
- Also ensure that jobs are not lost in the rural areas of Natal where the tapping process is taking place.

REDUCTION OF CUSTOMS DUTY ON:

"Slag wool, rock wool and similar mineral wools in rolls or sheets consisting of Ceramic Aluminica Silica with a mass per m² not below 1000g for the manufacture of catalytic converters" currently classifiable under the tariff subheading 6806.10 from 15% ad valorem to duty free.

[ITAC Ref: T5/2/4/1(020030), Enquiries: Mr F Stevens, Tel:(012) 428 7764, Fax: (012) 428 7780,e-mail, Franks@dti.pwv.gov.za or Mrs I Metz, Tel (012) 428 7748, E-mail, Imetz@dti.pwv.gov.za]

APPLICANTS:

3M South Africa (Pty) Ltd Unit 12/13 Woodlands Office Park Woodmead; and Feltex Unifrax Linsay Road Neave Township 6001

Reason for application:

 According to the applicants this material is not manufactured locally, and this is used mainly in catalytic converters, of which 99% are exported.

[Note: Should the application be successful it would imply an insertion of a new tariff subheading]

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