NOTICE 2270 OF 2004 INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION

NOTICE OF INITIATION OF A SUNSET REVIEW OF THE ANTI-DUMPING DUTIES ON PAPER INSULATED LEAD COVERED ELECTRIC CABLE ORIGINATING IN OR IMPORTED FROM INDIA

In accordance with the provisions in Article 11.3 of the World Trade Organisation Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, any definitive anti-dumping duty shall be terminated on a date not later than five years from its imposition, unless the authorities determine, in a review initiated before that date on their own initiative or upon a duly substantiated request made by or on behalf of the domestic industry within a reasonable period of time prior to that date, that the expiry of the duty would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping and injury.

On 19 March 2004, the International Trade Administration Commission (the Commission) notified all interested parties, through Notice No. 392 of Government Gazette No. 26143, that unless a request is made by or on behalf of the domestic industry for the duty to be reviewed prior to the expiry thereof, the anti-dumping duties on paper insulated lead covered electric cable (subject product) originating in or imported from India, will expire on 05 November 2004. A duly completed application Review Questionnaire was submitted to the Commission on 31 May 2004.

THE APPLICANT

The application was lodged by the Association of Electric Cable Manufacturers of South Africa on behalf of Aberdare Cables (Pty) Ltd. Aberdare Cables (Pty) Ltd is the manufacturer of the subject product in the SACU. The applicant alleges that the expiry of the duty would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping and injury. The applicant submitted sufficient evidence and established a prima facie case to enable the Commission to arrive at a reasonable conclusion that a review investigation should be initiated.

THE PRODUCT

The product under investigation (subject product) is paper insulated lead covered electrical cable which is classifiable under tariff sub-heading 8544.60, originating in or imported from India.

THE ALLEGATION OF THE CONTINUATION OR RECURRENCE OF DUMPING

The allegation of the continuation or recurrence of dumping is based on the comparison between the normal values and export prices in India. The normal values for both Gable Corporation of India and Universal Cables in India were determined using the constructed cost of production plus a reasonable addition for selling cost and profit. As no exports took