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INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION

CUSTOMS TARIFF APPLICATIONS

LIST 4/2007

The International Trade Administration Commission (herein after referred to as ITAC or the Commission) has received the following applications concerning the Customs Tariff. Any objection to or comment 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 rate of duty mentioned in the application is that requested by the applicant and that the Commission may, depending on its findings, recommend a lower or higher rate of duty.

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

The submission of confidential information to the Commission in connection with customs tariff applications is governed by section 3 of the Tariff Investigations Regulations, which regulations can be found on ITAC's website at http://www.itac.org.za/documents/R.397.pdf.

These regulations require that if any information is considered to be confidential, then a <u>non-confidential version of the information must be submitted</u>, simultaneously with the confidential version. In submitting a non-confidential version the regulations are strictly applicable and require parties to indicate:

- □ Each instance where confidential information has been omitted and the reasons for confidentiality;
- □ A summary of the confidential information which permits other interested parties a reasonable understanding of the substance of the confidential information; and
- □ In exceptional cases, where information is not susceptible to summary,

reasons must be submitted to this effect.

This rule applies to all parties and to all correspondence with and submissions to the Commission, which unless clearly indicated to be confidential, will be made available to other interested parties. The Commission will disregard any information indicated to be confidential that is not accompanied by a proper non-confidential summary or the aforementioned reasons.

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 commission 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 CUSTOMS DUTY ON:

 "Polyethylene filament yarn (excluding sewing thread), with a tenacity of 30 Cn/dtex or more, single, untwisted or with a twist not exceeding 50 turns per metre, classifiable in tariff subheading 5402.49 for the manufacture of twine, cordage, rope, cables, whether or not plaited or braided and whether, coated, covered or sheathed with rubber or plastics, classifiable in 5607.49 and or 5607.50".

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APPLICANT Southern Ropes (Pty) Ltd P.O. Box 65 WOODSTOCK 7915 Reason for the application:

- The product in question is not manufactured in the SACU.
- Rebate of duty would add advantage to their business through price/cost savings, due to the fact that the end product could then be sold at a more competitive price and will enable them to have a wider market access both domestically and internationally.
- 2. "Alcohol ethoxylates of subheading 3402.13 for the manufacture of washing and cleaning preparations classifiable in tariff heading 3402"

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APPLICANT Unilever South Africa (Pty) Ltd P.O. Box 209 BOKSBURG 1459

<u>Reason for the application</u>: The product in question is not manufactured in the SACU.

GENERAL

Amendment of rebate of the customs duty on:

"Palm stearin, not chemically modified, for blending with paraffin wax, of which the palm stearin content is 20 per cent or more by mass, under a full rebate of customs duty classifiable under tariff subheading 1511.90"

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APPLICANT Morlite Industries P O Box 345 CROWN MINES 2025

<u>Reason for the application</u>: The applicant stated that it is not economically viable to import palm stearin in liquid form for dehydration purposes. The applicant accordingly applies for the rebate provision to be amended to allow the importation of palm stearin in a dehydrated form.

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