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## NOTICE 1775 OF 2007

#### **INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION**

#### CUSTOMS TARIFF APPLICATION

### LIST 9/2007

The International Trade Administration Commission (herein after referred to as ITAC or the Commission) has received the following application concerning the Customs Tariff. Any objection to or comment on these representation 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 <u>http://www.itac.org.za/documents/R.397.pdf</u>.

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.

# NOTICE OF EXTENTION OF THE DEADLINE FOR COMMENT:

On 9 November 2007, under the Government Gazette Notice No. 1624, the International Trade Administration Commission (ITAC) invited interested parties to submit their comment on ITAC's reviews of the tariff dispensations pertaining to the aluminium industry, the chemical and plastics industries and the textiles industry.

Due to the closure of industries over the festive season, the wide scope of the reviews and to ensure that all parties are afforded sufficient time to respond to the reviews, it was decided to extend the deadline for comments to 25 January 2008.

# APPLICANT:

ITAC Private Bag x 753 **PRETORIA** 0001

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