NOTICE 19 OF 2008

INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION

CUSTOMS TARIFF APPLICATION

LIST 1/2008

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 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 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.

1. <u>REDUCTION IN THE RATE OF DUTY ON:</u>

Sheets consisting predominantly of polyethylene, with one side not exceeding 160mm and the other side not exceeding 465 mm, with 16 flat plastic spoons affix to it, classifiable under tariff subheading 3926.90.90, from 20% to free of duty.

Applicant: Imsofer Manufacturing SA (Pty) Ltd P O Box 167159 BRACKENDOWNS

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[24 & 25/2007 Mr. A Zietsman Tel:(012) 3943673, Fax: (012) 3944673, E-mail: <u>azietsman@itac.org.za</u>]

The following is an extract from the applicant's application stating the reason for the application: "Due to the specialized nature of the process involved in the manufacture of the sheets, there are currently no manufacturers in the Southern African Customs Union with the same technical abilities".

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2. <u>REBATE OF THE DUTY ON:</u>

Plates, sheets, film, foil and strip of polymers of vinyl chloride containing by mass less than 6% of plasticizers, with a width not exceeding 160mm and a thickness of 0.36mm, printed, classifiable under tariff subheading 3920.49, for the manufacture of moulded trays for the packing and conveyance of goods classifiable under tariff subheading 3923.90.90"

Applicant:

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3. <u>REVIEW OF:</u>

The customs tariff dispensation for wheat and wheat flour classifiable under tariff subheadings 1001.90 and 1101.00

The customs tariff review of the abovementioned chapters is a proactive initiative by ITAC in response to questions that were raised in the wheat industry after ITAC's Report No. 112 and a request by the National Chamber of Milling to review the tariff on wheat and wheat flour. The aim of the review is to establish if there is any case for maintaining the currently applicable duty or for making tariff adjustments to the duty applicable on wheat and wheat flour.

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Applicant:

International Trade Administration Commission of South Africa

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4. <u>REDUCTION IN THE RATE OF CUSTOMS DUTY ON:</u>

Bag closures of non-cellular polystyrene, in the form of flat shapes, with a thickness not exceeding 2 mm and with no side exceeding 30 mm, classifiable under tariff subheading 3923.50.90"

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APPLICANT

Goldpack (Pty) Ltd P O Box 22095 GLENASHELY 4022

<u>Reason for the application</u>: The applicant stated that the plastic closure used to seal bread packaging is not manufactured in the SACU and that no justification exist for the current rate.

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