

NOTICE 576 OF 2011**INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION****CUSTOMS TARIFF APPLICATIONS****LIST 07/2011**

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 comments on these representations should be submitted to the Chief Commissioner, ITAC, Private Bag X753, Pretoria, 0001. Attention is drawn to the fact that the rate of duty mentioned in these applications 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 non-confidential version of the information must be submitted, 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. REDUCTION OF THE CUSTOMS DUTY ON:

Photographic plates and film in the flat, sensitised, unexposed, of any material (excluding paper, paperboard or textiles); instant print film in the flat, sensitised, unexposed, whether or not in packs for X-ray, classifiable under tariff subheading 3701.10.90 from 15% *ad valorem* to free of duty.

ITAC Ref (13/2011), Ms BF Mehlomakulu, Tel: (012) 394 3818, fax no: 012-394 4818, Email: bmehlomakulu@itac.org.za

APPLICANT:

Africa X-Ray Industrial & Medical (Pty) Ltd,
Private Bag X 169
Halfway House
1685

REASONS FOR THE APPLICATION:

The applicant stated that AGFA will cease to utilise its sole supplier of cut x-ray films from 31 August 2011 and that the current rate of duty will have cost raising effect in the absence of a local X-ray processing plant.

PUBLICATION PERIOD:

Representation should be submitted to the above address within **four (4) weeks** of the date of this notice.

2. REBATE OF THE CUSTOMS DUTY ON:

- Synthetic filament yarn of nylon or other polyamides, measuring per single yarn or more than 500 dtex, textured, for the manufacture of tufted carpets identified for use in motor vehicles, classifiable under tariff sub-heading 5402.30;
- Synthetic filament yarn of polyesters for the manufacture of tufted carpets for use in motor vehicles, classifiable under tariff sub-heading 5402.33;
- Non-woven's, whether or not impregnated, coated or laminated, of a mass exceeding 25 g/m² but not exceeding 70 g/m² for the manufacture of tufted carpets identifiable for use in motor vehicles; and
- Non-woven's, whether or not impregnated, coated or laminated, of a mass exceeding 70 g/m² but not exceeding 150 g/m² for the manufacture of tufted carpets identifiable for use in motor vehicles.

Reference no. **ITAC: 07/2011**, Ms B. Mehlomakulu, Tel: (012) 394 3818, Fax: (012) 394 4818 email: bmehlomakulu@itac.org.za

APPLICANT:

Futuris Feltex (Pty) Ltd
P.O BOX 5337
GREENFIELDS
5208

REASONS FOR THE APPLICATION AS SUBMITTED BY THE APPLICANT:

The industrial yarn impacts negatively on the ability of the applicant to compete in the market, and it has an unnecessary cost raising effect

Yarn used for industrial purposes i.e. non textile and clothing applications should be excluded from the one utilized by the clothing and allied industries as they differ from yarns in automotive carpets, which are classifiable under tariff subheadings 3918.92.20 and 3921.90

The proposed rebate provisions will improve the industry's competitiveness, decrease the prices of tufted carpets supplied to the downstream market.

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3. INCREASE IN THE RATE OF CUSTOMS DUTY ON:

“Water meters designed for the use with piping with an inside diameter not exceeding 30mm classifiable under tariff subheading 9028.20 from free of duty to 10% ad valorem”.

Reference no. **ITAC: 11/2011**, Mr Christopher Sako, Tel: 012 3943669, E-mail: csako@itac.org.za

APPLICANT:

Elster Kent Metering (Pty) Ltd
56 Commando Road
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REASON FOR THE APPLICATION:

The applicant alleges that the penetration of low cost imports into the local market at substantially low prices is undercutting the existing market prices and reducing the market share of local manufacturers.

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