DEPARTMENT OF TRADE, INDUSTRY AND COMPETITION

NOTICE 1632 OF 2023

INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION <u>CUSTOMS TARIFF APPLICATIONS</u>

LIST 01/2023

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 this representation 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 this 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 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.

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REVIEW OF THE GENERAL RATE OF CUSTOMS DUTY APPLICABLE TO CERTAIN ALUMINIUM PLATES, COILS, SHEETS, CAN STOCK, STRIPS AND FOIL CLASSIFIABLE UNDER TARIFF HEADINGS 76.06 AND 76.07

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THE REASONS FOR THE REVIEW OF CUSTOMS DUTY

In its ITAC Report No 622, the Commission recommended that the duty applicable to certain aluminium plates, coils, sheets, can stock, strips and foil classifiable under tariff heading 76.06 and 76.07 be increased from free of duty to 15% ad valorem. The Commission further recommended that the customs duty be reviewed after at least one (1) year (unless otherwise determined by the Commission) following its implementation to monitor the performance of the aluminium value chain.

PUBLICATION PERIOD:

Written representations must be submitted within four (4) weeks of the date of this Notice.