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DETERMINATION OF CUSTOMS VALUES OF CARBON BLACK (RUBBER GRADE)
UNDER SECTION 25-A OF THE CUSTOMS ACT, 1969

(VALUATION RULING No. 1029/2017)

No. Misc/06/2016-II/270

Dated: 2nd February, 2017

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969, Customs values of PVC Hose Pipes are determined as follows:-

2. Background of the valuation issue: The values of Carbon Black (Rubber Grade) for reference/guidance were earlier issued vide VDB No. 69/2016 dated 31-10-2016. However several representations were received from commercial importers and Local manufacturers for determination of customs value of Carbon Black (Rubber Grade) afresh considering the current international prices.

3. Stakeholders' participation in determination of Customs values: Meeting with all stakeholders including importers and representatives from clearance Collectorates, was held on 02.02.2017 to discuss the current international prices of the subject item. The commercial importers stated that the prices of subject item are showing down ward trend in the international markets where as the local manufacture in their representation disagreed with them. The view point of all participants was heard in detail and considered to arrive at Customs values of Carbon Black (Rubber Grade).

4. Method adopted to determine Customs values: Valuation methods provided in Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 were duly applied in their regular sequential order to address the particular valuation issue at hand. The transaction value method as provided in Sub-Section (1) of Section 25, found inapplicable in light of the wide variety of invoice, submitted at import stage the veracity of which could not be ascertained fully, hence requisite information required under law was not available to arrive at the correct transaction value. Identical / similar goods value method provided vide Sub-Sections (5) & (6) of Section 25 ibid were examined for applicability to determine Customs value of subject goods, this data provided some references, however, it was found that the same cannot be solely relied upon due to the absence of absolute demonstrable evidence or qualities, and quantities of commercial level etc., and also it was observed that importers usually provided misleading description while declaring goods, as other types and varieties of similar goods to avoid the application of valuation ruling. Information available was hence, found inappropriate. In line with the statutory sequential order of Section 25, this office then conducted a market inquiry using Deductive Value Method under Sub-Section (7) of the Section 25 of the Custom, Act, 1969, however, it was found that the determination of Customs value could not be based solely upon this method either. Therefore, valuation method provided vide Section 25(8) of Customs Act 1969, could not be applied as the conversion cost from constituent materials and allied expenses, at country of export were are not available. Finally, PRAL database, market information and international prices through Web were examined thoroughly. All the information so gathered was analyzed for determination of Customs Value of the subject items. Consequently, the Fall Back Method as provided under section 25(9) of the Customs Act, 1969 was applied to arrive assessable customs values of Carbon Black (Rubber Grade).

5. Customs values for Carbon Black (Rubber Grade): Carbon Black (Rubber Grade) hereinafter specified shall be assessed to duty/taxes at the following Customs Values:-

Sr. No.	Description of Goods	PCT Code	Proposed PCT for WeBOC	Origin	Customs Values (C&F)
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					US\$/Pc
1.	Carbon Black (Rubber Grade)	2803.0010	2803.0010.1000	All origins	1.00

6. In cases where declared/ transaction values are higher than the Customs values determined in this Ruling, the assessing officers shall apply those values in terms or Sub-Section (1) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969. In case of consignments imported by air the assessing officer shall take into account the differential between air freight and sea freight while applying the Customs values determined in this Ruling. The Custom values determined in the Valuation Ruling are for the descriptions and specifications as mentioned he rein, HS Codes are mentioned for illustrative purposes so that Valuation Ruling values are made accessible to the assessing officers. The assessment shall be finalized in the correct classifications after fulfilling requisite formalities relating to importability or other certifications required thereon.

7. Validity of this Valuation Ruling: The values determined vide this Ruling shall be the applicable Customs value tor assessment of subject imported goods until and unless it is rescinded or revised by the competent authority in terms of Sub-Sections (1) or (3) or Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969.

8. Revision of the value determined vide this Valuation Ruling: This Valuation Ruling is appealable under the law and a revision petition may be filed against this Ruling, under Section 25-D of the Customs Act. 1969, within 30 days from the date of issue of this ruling before the Director General, Directorate General of Customs Valuation, 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi.

9. The Collectors of Customs may kindly ensure that the values given in the Ruling for the given description of goods are applied by the concerned staff without fail. Any anomaly observed may kindly be brought to the notice of Directorate General immediately.

10. The data Base value No. DG/VDB/REF/69/2016-II/9720 dated 31.10.2016 stands with drawn.

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Director

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