(This Ruling has been revised / superseded vide Valuation Ruling No. 1460/2020 dated 20-07-2020)

GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF CUSTOMS VALUATION CUSTOM HOUSE KARACHI

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<u>DETERMINATION OF CUSTOMS VALUES OF NON-CARBON RELEASING PAPER,</u> <u>ART CARD/ COATED BOARD/PAPER AND LIGHT WEIGHT COATED PAPERS</u> UNDER SECTION 25-A OF THE CUSTOMS ACT, 1969

(VALUATION RULING NO. 1439/2020)

No. Misc/01/2008-III/2888

Dated: 14th February, 2020

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969, Customs values of Non-Carbon Releasing Paper, Art Card/Coated Board/Paper and Light Weight Coated Papers are determined as follows:-

- **2. Background of the valuation issue:** Customs values of Non-Carbon Releasing Paper, Art Card/Coated Board/Paper and Light Weight Coated Papers were determined vide Valuation Ruling No. 1394/2019 dated 17-10-2019. The values determined vide aforementioned valuation ruling, were challenged before the Director General under section 25-D of the Customs Act, 1969 by M/s. M.M Traders and other 27 importers. The Director General vide Order-in-Revision No. 03/2020 dated 09-01-2020 set aside the said Valuation Ruling and directed to re-determine the values of said goods. Therefore, a fresh exercise was initiated in this Directorate General to determine customs values of subject goods in terms of Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969.
- **3. Stakeholder's participation in determination of Customs values:** Stakeholders' meeting was held on 28-01-2020. The participants were requested to furnish the following documents before or during the above mentioned meeting;
 - i) Invoices of imports during last three months showing factual value.
 - ii) Websites, names and E-mail addresses of known foreign manufacturers of the item in question through which the actual current value can be ascertained.
 - iii) Copies of Contracts made / LCs opened during the last three months showing the value of items in question.
 - iv) Copies of Sales Tax Invoices issued during last three months showing the difference in price (excluding duty and taxes) to substantiate their contentions.
- 4. The meeting were attended by the stakeholders including importers and All Pakistan Paper Merchants Association, Karachi. It was unanimous stance of the stakeholders that the price in the international market of the subject items have decreased substantially. A number of documents including LCs, contracts etc. were provided to prove the said stance by importers. The matter was discussed at length and the import data available on record as well as that submitted by stakeholders was analyzed.
- **5. Method adopted to determine Customs values:** Valuation methods given in Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 were applied to address the valuation issue at hand. Transactional value method provided in Section 25(1) of the Customs Act, 1969 ibid was found inapplicable owing to non-fulfillment

of prescribed requirements and variation in declared values submitted by the stakeholders. The documents provided by the stakeholders were analyzed & examined in accordance with the import data of identical & similar goods values methods provided under Section 25(5) & (6) of the Customs Act, 1969. This data provided sufficient evidences and, thus the custom values were finalized under Section 25(5) & (6) accordingly.

6. Customs values for Non-Carbon Releasing Paper, Art Card/Coated Board/Paper And Light Weight Coated Papers: Non-Carbon Releasing Paper, Art Card/Coated Board/Paper And Light Weight Coated Papers hereinafter specified shall be assessed to duty/taxes at the following minimum customs values mentioned at the following Tables A & B, respectively:-

Table-A (Non-Carbon Releasing Papers)

S. No.	Description	Specification	PCT Heading	Proposed PCT for WeBOC	Origin	Customs Value (C&F) US\$/Kg
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
1.	Non Carbon Releasing	In sheets		4809.2000.1000	China	1.30
	Paper Coated Front & Back	III sheets		4809.2000.1100	Indonesia	1.34
2.	Non Carbon Releasing Paper Coated Back	In sheets		4809.2000.1200	China	1.30
3.	Non Carbon Releasing Paper Coated Back	In sheets	4809.2000	4809.2000.1300	Indonesia	1.34
4.	Non Carbon Releasing Paper Coated Front	In sheets		4809.2000.1400	China	1.30
5.	Non Carbon Releasing Paper Coated Front	In sheets		4809.2000.1400	Indonesia	1.34
Notes: US\$ 25/PMT to be subtracted for assessable value of reels.						

Table-B (Art Card Coated/Board/Paper and Light Weight Coated Papers)

S. No.	Description	PCT Heading	Proposed PCT for WeBOC	Origin	Customs Value (C&F) US\$/Kg
(1)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
	One / both side Coated Art Card/Board with Kaolin (China Clay) or other inorganic substances or any other kind of coated	4810.1990	4810.1990.1000 4810.9900.1000	China	0.74
			4810.1990.1100 4810.9900.1100	Indonesia	0.75
1.			4810.1990.1200 4810.9900.1200	Korea	0.76
1.			4810.1990.1300 4810.9900.1300	Japan	0.74
			4810.1990.1400 4810.9900.1400	Europe	0.79
			4810.1990.1500 4810.9900.1500	Others	0.79
2.	Coated Art Paper in sheets both inside with Kaolin (China Clay) or other inorganic substances or any	4810.1390	4810.1310.1000 4810.1390.1000	China	0.69
			4810.1310.1100 4810.1390.1100	Indonesia	0.70

	other kind of coated papers		4810.1310.1200 4810.1390.1200	Korea	0.71
			4810.1310.1300 4810.1390.1300	Japan	0.69
			4810.1310.1400 4810.1390.1400	Europe	0.75
			4810.1310.1500 4810.1390.1500	Others	0.75
3.	Light weight Coated Papers	4810.2200	4810.2200.1000	All origins	0.75
4.	Others	4810.2900	4810.2900.1000	All origins	0.75

Notes: Light weight coated paper shall be constructed as defined at S. No. 7 of sub heading notes to Chapter-48 of Pakistan Customs Tariff which is reproduced as under:-

"S.No.7 for the purpose of sub heading 4810.22, "Light Weight Coated Paper" means Paper coated on both sides, of a total weight not exceeding 72gram/m², with a coating weight not exceeding 15gram/m² per side, on a base, which is not less than 50% by weight of a total fiber content consists of wood fibers obtained by mechanical process".

- i) US\$ 25/MT to be subtracted for assessable value of reels.
- 7. 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 of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969. In case of consignments imported by air, the assessing officer shall take into account air freight while applying the Customs values determined in this Ruling.
- **8. Validity of Valuation Ruling:** The values determined vide this Ruling shall be the applicable Customs values for 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) of Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969.
- **9. Revision of the value determined vide this Valuation Ruling:** A revision petition may be filed against this Ruling, as provided under Section 25-D of the Customs Act, 1969, within 30 days from the date of issue, before the Director General, Directorate General of Customs Valuation, 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
- 10. The Collectors of Customs may kindly ensure that the values given in this Valuation 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. Customs values determined in the ruling are for the description and specification as mentioned in the above table of this Ruling. HS Codes are mentioned for illustrative purpose so that valuation ruling values are made accessible to the assessing officers. The assessment shall be finalized on the basis of correct classification after fulfilling requisite formalities related to importability or any other certification required thereon. In addition to this, it is further necessary to verify that there is no mis-declaration of any sort or violation of Import Policy Order or Section 15 of the Customs Act, 1969 or any other law in vogue therein.
- 11. This ruling supersedes Valuation Ruling No. 1394/2019 dated 17.10.2019.

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- 14. The Chairman (Valuation Committee), FPCC&I, Federation House, Clifton, Karachi.
- 15. The Chambers of Commerce & Industry, Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, Hyderabad, Quetta & Peshawar.
- 16. The Karachi Customs Agents Group, Bohri Road, Karachi.
- 17. The Webmaster, Federal Board of Revenue, Islamabad.
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