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**DETERMINATION OF CUSTOMS VALUES OF CHLOROPRENE RUBBER UNDER
SECTION 25-A OF THE CUSTOMS ACT, 1969**

(VALUATION RULING NO. 1947/2025)

C. No. Misc/03/2024-III/0025

Dated: 03rd January, 2025

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969, the Customs values of Chloroprene Rubber are determined as follows:

2. Background of the valuation issue: Board's letter No. C.No.01(36)app-ops /2024 dated 16-05-2024 and Chief Collector Appraisement South office letter No. C.No.SI/Misc/01/2023-CC (Appr) Pt-V/Vol-1/1108 dated 22-05-2024 received in this office regarding under invoicing and mis declaration in the import of chloroprene rubber CR. HS code 4002.4900. Hence, this Directorate, after scrutiny of the matter in detail and analysis of import data, decided to issue a new Valuation Ruling for Chloroprene Rubber, where for an exercise has been undertaken.

3. Stakeholders' participation in determination of Customs values: Meeting were convened on 11-06-2024 & 18-12-2024 which were attended by all the relevant stakeholders. The issues pertaining to the valuation of subject goods were deliberated upon in detail in the afore-referred meetings. They argued that, in the absence of any VR, the impugned goods are being assessed at very high values that are not reflective of actual prices of goods. The issue of under-invoicing and smuggling of Chloroprene Rubber was also raised.

4. Analysis / Exercise done to determine Customs Values: The stakeholders stated that issuance of a Valuation Ruling would harmonize and rationalize the values of Chloroprene Rubber. This would result in market competitiveness and increase the volume of import through proper channel. For this purpose, market inquiry was conducted and examined in the light of Directorate's Office Order No.17/2014 dated 19-03-2014 and in terms of Section 25(7) read with Section 25(9) of the Customs Act, 1969.

5. Method (s) adopted to determine Customs values: Method (s) adopted to determine Customs values: Valuation methods specified in Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969, were duly applied in sequential order to arrive at the Customs value of subject goods. The transaction value method as provided in sub-section (1) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969, was found inapplicable due to absence of information as required under sub-section (2) of Section 25 of Customs Act, 1969. Therefore, identical goods value method provided in Section 25(5) was examined for applicability to determine Customs values of subject goods. The data provided some reference; however, it was found that the same could not be solely relied upon due to absence of absolute demonstrable evidences of quantities and qualities. Information available was, hence, found incomplete. Subsequently, similar goods value method provided in Section 25(6) was examined for applicability to determine Customs value of subject goods. However, Declared Values of similar goods had shown consistent variations. Hence, this method was also found inapplicable. Market enquiry as envisaged under Sub-Section (7) of Section 25 of the Customs Act 1969 was also conducted but could not yield results because subject item was not available in market because it is industrial item. In line with statutory sequential order of section 25, Computed value method, as provided in Section 25(8) of the Customs Act, 1969 was examined, but the same also could not be applied as the conversion cost from the constituent materials and allied expenses, in the country of export, were not available for manufacturing Chloroprene Rubber. Finally, the Customs values of the subject goods have been determined under Section 25(9),

read with Section 25(5), and Customs Rule 121(2) of Customs Rules, 2001 which provides that the methods of valuation, to be employed under sub-sections (1), (5), (6), (7) and (8) of the said section, but a reasonable flexibility in the application of such methods would be in conformity with the aims and provisions of sub-section (9) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 read with Rule 121(2) of Customs Rules, 2001.

6. Customs values of Chloroprene Rubber - Chloroprene Rubber *hereinafter specified* shall be assessed to duty / taxes at the Customs values as per following tables:

S. No.	Description of Goods	PCT	Proposed PCT for WeBOC	Origin	Customs Values (C&F) US\$/Kg
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
1	Chloroprene Rubber	4002.4900	4002.4900.1000	China	4.00
2			4002.4900.1100	Thailand/ Malaysia	4.50
3			4002.4900.1200	Japan/Korea European	5.00
4			4002.4900.1300	USA	7.00
5			4002.4900.1400	Other origins	5.00

7. In cases, where declared values are higher than the Customs values determined in this Ruling, the assessing officers shall apply those values in terms of Sub-section (1) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969. In case of consignments imported by air, the assessing officers shall take into account the difference between air freight and sea freight while applying the Customs values in this Ruling.

8. Validity of this Valuation Ruling: This Ruling, containing the Customs values for assessment of subject imported goods, shall be applicable until and unless the same are rescinded or revised by the competent authority in terms of sub-section (4) of Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969.

9. Revision of the value determined vide this Valuation Ruling: If aggrieved, a revision petition may be filed against this ruling as provided under Section 25D of the Customs Act, 1969, within 30 days from the date of its issuance, 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 assessing officers / officials without fail. Any anomaly observed may kindly be brought to the notice of this Directorate immediately. The Customs values determined in this ruling are for the description and specification as mentioned in Para-6 of This Ruling. HS Codes are mentioned for illustrative purposes so that Valuation Ruling is made accessible to the assessing officers. The assessment shall be finalized on the basis of correct classification after fulfilling all formalities related to importability or any other certifications required thereon.

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- 18) The Chairman (Valuation Committee), FPCC&I, Federation House, Clifton, Karachi.
- 19) The Chambers of Commerce & Industry, Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, Hyderabad, Quetta & Peshawar.
- 20) The Karachi Customs Agents Association (KCAA), Bohri Road, Karachi.
- 21) The Webmaster, Federal Board of Revenue, Islamabad.
- 22) Guard File.