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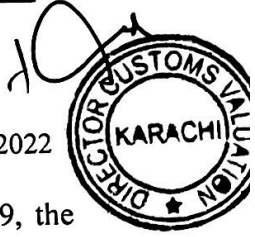
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DETERMINATION OF CUSTOMS VALUE OF STAINLESS STEEL FLEXIBLE HOSE PRODUCTS UNDER SECTION 25A THE CUSTOMS ACT, 1969.

(VALUATION RULING NO 1690/2022)

File No. Misc/04/2022-VI/880.

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In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969, the Customs value of Stainless Steel Flexible Hose Products is determined as follows: -

2. **Background of the valuation issue:** A representation was received through Board's Letter C.No.3(23)S.Val & AUDIT/2021 dated 01-04-2022, that Flexible Hose Products are being cleared at very low customs value and there is a susceptibility of mis-invoicing. Therefore, an exercise was initiated for determination of Custom value of Flexible Hose Products according to prevalent market price trends, in terms of Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969.

3. **Stakeholders' participation in determination of Customs value:** Meeting with stakeholders was held on 05-07-2022. The stake holders contended that the goods are manufactured from high quality of steel, in addition to Brass and nickel which is being cleared at US\$1.5/KG. Meanwhile the basic raw materials in raw form costs a lot more than the said value. The stakeholders were requested to submit the following documents so that correct customs values could be determined: -

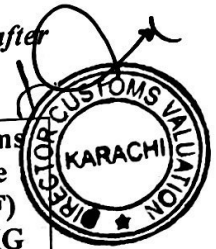
- i) *Invoices of imports during last three months showing factual value.*
- ii) *Websites, names and E-mail addresses of known foreign manufacturers of the item in*
- iii) *Question through which the actual current value can be ascertained.*
- iv) *Copies of Contracts made / LCs opened during the last three months showing the value of item in question.*
- v) *Copies of Sales Tax Invoices issued during last four months showing the difference e in price (excluding duty and taxes) to substantiate that the benefit of different in price is passed on to the local buyers.*

4. **Method adopted to determine Customs value:** Valuation methods given in Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 were applied sequentially to address the valuation issue at hand. Transaction value method provided in Section 25 (1) of the Act ibid was found inapplicable because the required information under the law was not available. Identical and Similar goods

valuation methods provided some reference values but could not be relied upon due to variation in data. Market enquiry as envisaged under Sub- Section (7) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 was conducted but could yield no results as prices varied accordingly to selling point in the market. Online values were also checked. Since the manufactures costs and raw material prices of producing the goods in question in the country of exportation were not available. Computed value method as provided in Section 25 (8) could not be applied for valuation of the aforesaid goods.. London Metal Exchange (LME) Prices of different types of metals were checked from the London Metal Bulletin (LMB), within the meanings of proviso to sub-section (1) of Section 25A ibid, inserted vide Finance Act, 2021. 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 good. Consequently, the Fall Back Method as provided under section 25(9) of the. Customs Act, 1969 was applied to arrive at assessable customs value of Flexible Hose Products.

5. **Customs value for Flexible Hose Products:** Flexible Hose Products *hereinafter specified* shall be assessed to duty / taxes at the following Customs Value:

| S. No | Description of Goods | PCT CODE | Proposed PCT CODE for WeBOC | Origin | Customs Value (C&F) US\$/KG With Brass Fittings | Customs Value (C&F) US\$/KG Without Brass Fittings |
|-------|--|-----------|-----------------------------|---------------|---|--|
| (1) | (2) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) |
| 1 | Stainless Steel Spiral/Corrugated Flexible Hose / Tube / Pipes | 8307.1000 | 8307.1000.1000 | China | 6.92 | 4.80 |
| | | 8307.9000 | 8307.9000.1000 | Other Origins | 8.30 | 5.76 |
| | | 7324.2900 | 7324.2900.1000 | | | |
| | | 7304.1100 | 7304.1100.1000 | | | |
| 2 | Stainless Steel Wire Braided Flexible Hose / Tube / Pipe | 7304.1900 | 7304.1900.1000 | China | 10.38 | 6.57 |
| | | 7306.4000 | 7306.4000.1000 | | | |
| | | 7608.1000 | 7608.1000.1000 | Other Origins | 12.46 | 7.88 |
| | | 7608.2000 | 7608.2000.1000 | | | |
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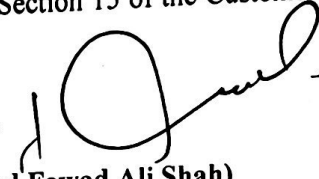
6. The assessing officers shall take into account first proviso to the subsection 2 of section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969 which states "provided that where the value declared in a goods declaration, filed under section 79 or section 131 or mentioned in the invoice retrieved from consignment, as the case maybe, is higher than the value determined under subsection (1), such higher value shall be the customs value". 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.

7. **Validity of this Valuation Ruling:** The values determined vide this Ruling shall be the applicable Customs value for assessment of subject imported goods until and unless it is rescinded

or revised by the competent authority in terms of Sub-Section (4) of Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969, read with Rule 107(a), Chapter IX, of the Customs Rules, 2001.

8. **Revision of the value determined vide this Valuation Ruling:** 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 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 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 this Directorate General immediately for redressal. Customs values determined in the ruling are for the description and specification as mentioned in the tables above of this Ruling. PCT Codes are mentioned for illustrative purposes 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.

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(Syed Fawad Ali Shah)
Director

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- 1) The Member Customs (Policy/Operations), F.B.R., Islamabad.
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- 3) The Chief Collector of Customs, South (Appraisal), Custom House, Karachi.
- 4) The Chief Collector of Customs, South (Enforcement), Custom House, Karachi.
- 5) The Chief Collector of Customs (Central), Lahore.
- 6) The Chief Collector of Customs (North), Islamabad.
- 7) The Chief Collector of Customs, (Enforcement), Custom House, Quetta.
- 8) The Director General, Intelligence and Investigation-FBR, Islamabad.
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- 14) The Director, Directorate of Customs Valuation, Lahore / Peshawar / Quetta.
- 15) The Deputy Director (HQ), Directorate General of Customs Valuation, Karachi, for uploading in One Customs & WEOC database system.
- 16) The Chairman (Valuation Committee), FPCC&I, Federation House, Clifton, Karachi.
- 17) The Chambers of Commerce & Industry, Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, Hyderabad, Quetta & Peshawar.
- 18) The Karachi Customs Agents Group, Bohri Road, Karachi.
- 19) The Webmaster, Federal Board of Revenue, Islamabad.
- 20) Guard File.