

F. No. 7/34/2023-DGTR
Government of India
Ministry of Commerce & Industry
Department of Commerce
Directorate General of Trade Remedies
Jeevan Tara Building, 4th Floor, Parliament Street, New Delhi

Dated: 11th July, 2024

To,

All interested parties,

Subject: PCN methodology in the sunset review investigation of countervailing duty concerning imports of “Saccharin” originating in or exported from China PR.

Sir/Ma'am,

Reference is invited to the above-cited subject. The Authority had, on 26th March 2024, initiated the subject investigation vide Notification F. No. 7/34/2023 DGTR, wherein the product under consideration (hereinafter referred to as “PUC”) was defined as under:

“5. The product under consideration is the same as in the original investigation i.e., “Saccharin”. The present investigation being a sunset review investigation, the scope of the product under consideration remains the same as defined in the original investigation.

6. Saccharin is a non-nutritive sweetener and considered to be low calorie substitute for cane sugar. Primarily there are two types of saccharin i.e. soluble and insoluble. In market parlance soluble saccharin is called sodium saccharin whereas insoluble saccharin is called saccharin or saccharin acid. Saccharin is produced in two physical forms, viz. granular and powder. Sodium saccharin in granular form is used in situations where saccharin will be dissolved, the powder form which has been grounded and spray dried is used in dry mixes and pharmaceuticals. It is slightly soluble in water. Insoluble form of saccharin is used in many pharmaceutical and medical applications. Saccharin is used in a variety of industry such as food and beverage, personal care products, tabletop sweeteners, electroplating brighteners, pharmaceuticals, etc. All forms of saccharin are within the scope of the present investigation.”

- 2) Post initiation of the aforesaid investigation, the Directorate had received comments on PCN from the producer/exporter namely Shanghai Fortune Chemical Co. Ltd and an importer in India i.e. Sandeep Organics. The comments received were shared with the domestic industry, and the domestic industry has subsequently filed its responses.

- 3) After due examination of the submissions made by the parties and the domestic industry, and considering the facts and circumstances of the present investigation, the Authority has decided not to adopt any PCN in this investigation. Accordingly, the questionnaire responses are required to be filed on the above basis within **one (1) week** from the date of issue of this letter. No further extension of time will be given to file the questionnaire responses.
- 4) The specifics of any exclusion(s) are subject to determination throughout the investigation process and will be communicated in the final findings as deemed appropriate by the Authority. The Authority reserves the right to make the final decision based on the investigation's outcomes. Interested parties are, therefore, requested to file all the information in entirety, subject to the clarification communicated vide this letter.
- 5) This issues with the approval of the Designated Authority.

Sd/-
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