

PUBLIC NOTICE OF MINISTRY OF COMMERCE

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Initiation of Antidumping Investigation on Cellulose Pulp Originating in the United States, Canada and Brazil

On December 13, 2012, the Ministry of Commerce (“MOFCOM”) received a petition requiring initiation of antidumping investigation formally submitted by Yibin Changyi Cellulose Pulp Co., Ltd., Yanbian Shixian Bailu Paper Making Co., Ltd., Fujian Qingshan Paper Industry Co., Ltd., Fujian Nanping Paper Co., Ltd., Hebei Hualin Textile Raw Materials Co., Ltd., Yumen Huayu Cotton Industry Co., Ltd., and Guizhou Chitianhua Paper Industry Co., Ltd. (the “petitioner”) on behalf of the PRC Cellulose Pulp industry. The petitioner requested an antidumping investigation on Cellulose Pulp (“the product concerned”) originating in the United States, Canada and Brazil (“the country concerned”).

Pursuant to the relevant provisions of *the Antidumping Regulation of the People’s Republic of China* (the “*Antidumping Regulation*”), MOFCOM examined the standing of the petitioner, the relevant information on the product concerned, the relevant information on domestic like products, the impacts of the product concerned on the domestic industry, and the relevant information on the area concerned. In addition, MOFCOM examined the evidence regarding dumping, injury, and the causal link between dumping and injury mentioned in the petition. The prima facie evidence provided by the petitioner indicates that the total outputs of the product concerned by the petitioners and the companies supporting this petition, i.e. Hunan Juntai Pulp & Paper Co., Ltd., Shandong Sun Paper Industry Joint Stock Co., Ltd., Manasi Auspicious Clouds Chemical Fiber Co., Ltd., Xinjiang Fangcaohu Wanxiang Chemical Fiber Co., Ltd., Yibin Bamboo Sea Bamboo Resource Technology Co., Ltd., Yanling County Chaofa Cotton Industry Co., Ltd., Xinjiang Taichang Industry Co., Ltd. and Alaer Xinnong Cotton Pulp Co., Ltd. justified the initiation of an investigation pursuant to Article 11, Article 13, and Article 17 of *the Antidumping Regulation*. Meanwhile, the petition contains the relevant issues and evidence provided for in Article 14 and Article 15 of *the Antidumping Regulation*.

In accordance with the above examination results and Article 16 of *the Antidumping Regulation*, MOFCOM decides to initiate an antidumping investigation on imported Cellulose Pulp originating in the United States, Canada and Brazil on February 6, 2013 and hereby gives notice of relevant issues related to the investigation as follows:

1. The Initiation of Antidumping Investigation and the Period of Investigation.

As of the date of this Public Notice, MOFCOM begins the antidumping

investigation on imports of Cellulose Pulp originating in the United States, Canada and Brazil. The Period of Investigation for dumping is from January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012, while the injury investigation period is from January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2012.

2. The Product Concerned and Scope of Investigation.

Scope of investigation: Cellulose Pulp originating in the United States, Canada and Brazil.

Name of the Product Concerned: Cellulose Pulp, or dissolving pulp, or dissolving wood pulp, or cotton linter pulp, or bamboo pulp, etc.

Detailed Description: Cellulose Pulp refers to a kind of cellulose material, which uses plant fiber as raw materials, and is obtained after processing. Cellulose Pulp is mainly used for the production of chemical fiber, such as viscose fiber, acetate fiber, etc.

Applications:

Cellulose Pulp is mainly used for the production of chemical fiber, i.e. viscose fiber (such as viscose staple fiber, viscose filament yarn), acetate fiber, etc.

Tariff number of the product concerned in *the PRC Customs Tariff Regulation* is 47020000、47061000 and 47063000.

3. Registration of Entry of Appearance

As to dumping investigation, any interested party who is willing to participate in the investigation must register with Bureau of Fair Trade for Import & Export (“BOFT”) of MOFCOM not later than twenty (20) days after the publication of this notice. Further, the manufacturers and exporters concerned shall provide BOFT with the total quantity and value of the product concerned exported to China from January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012. The *Antidumping Investigation Respondent Registration Form* can be downloaded on the website: <http://gpj.mofcom.gov.cn> under the section of Case Updates.

As to the injury investigation, any interested party who is willing to participate in the injury investigation must register with Bureau of Industry Injury Investigation (“IBII”) of MOFCOM not later than twenty (20) days after the publication of this notice, and shall provide IBII with information on the production capacity, output, inventory, plan under construction and to be expanded, and the total quantity and value of the product concerned exported to China. Please refer to *Application Form of Participating the Industry Injury Investigation*, which can be downloaded on the website: <http://www.cacs.gov.cn> under the section of Entry of

Appearance.

4. Rights of the Interested Parties

Any interested party may download the non-confidential version of the petition filed by the petitioner on the website: <http://gpj.mofcom.gov.cn> under the section of Case Updates, or inquire such information at Room of Inquiry on Public Information of Trade Remedy Materials of MOFCOM (Tel: +8610-65197878) .

If any interested party has any objection pertinent to the scope of the product concerned, the petitioner's standing, the country concerned and other relevant issues, it may submit its comments in written to MOFCOM within the period for registration of entry of appearance.

5. Investigation Methods

The investigating authorities may ask the relevant interested party for information to carry out investigation by way of issuing questionnaire, sampling, hearing, and conducting on-site verification, etc.

As to the injury investigation, the relevant notices can be inquired on the website: <http://www.cacs.gov.cn>.

6. Investigation Questionnaires

(1) Dumping Investigation Questionnaires

MOFCOM will issue dumping questionnaires to the registered responding companies and other companies listed in the petition within ten (10) days after the deadline of the Registration of Entry of Appearance published in this notice. The content of the questionnaire includes the organization and operation of the company, the Product Concerned, the exporting sales to PRC (mainland), the domestic (intraregional) sales, the exporting sales to countries (regions) other than PRC (mainland), the production cost and related expenses, the estimated dumping margin and the reconciliation statement, etc. The *Antidumping Investigation Questionnaire on Cellulose Pulp* can be downloaded on the website: <http://gpj.mofcom.gov.cn> under the section of Case Updates at the scheduled time. Other companies which are not registered may download or demand this questionnaire from MOFCOM directly, fill in and submit it according to the requirements.

All the companies mentioned above shall submit the complete and accurate responses to the questionnaire within the specified time limit. The responses shall include all the required information of the investigation questionnaire. All

the responses to the questionnaire shall be submitted to MOFCOM within thirty seven (37) days after the issuance of the questionnaires. In case the responding company has reasonable grounds indicating that it is unable to complete the questionnaire before the submission deadline, the responding company shall submit seven (7) days before the submission deadline, to MOFCOM a written request for an extension of the period for submission of the response to the questionnaire, elaborating its request and reasons for such extension.

In case the responding company does not submit the response to the questionnaire within the specified time limit, or can not submit a complete and accurate response to the questionnaire according to the requirement, or does not permit MOFCOM to verify the materials it submitted, or impedes seriously the investigation through other methods, MOFCOM may make determination on the basis of facts available and best information available in accordance with Article 21 of the *Antidumping Regulation*.

(2) Industry Injury Investigation Questionnaire

The Notice concerning the Industry Injury Investigation Questionnaire may be inquired on the website: <http://www.cacs.gov.cn>.

7. This investigation commences on February 6, 2013, and normally will be due on or before February 6, 2014. Under special circumstances, the investigation may be extended to August 6, 2014.

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