



Republic of the Philippines
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
BUREAU OF CUSTOMS
Manila

14 September 2017

MEMORANDUM:

TO : All District and Sub-port Collectors
All Chiefs, Formal Entry Division
And Formal Entry Division Personnel

RE : Tariff Commission Circulars

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization Act (Republic Act 10863), the Tariff Commission issued an Advance Rulings (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued from 17 - 18 July 2017, for various imported articles, and the same were submitted and reviewed by this Office, summarized as follows:

TCC. NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2012 AHTN CODE	RATE OF DUTY
17-007	"SLAI O'LAI SANDWICH CRACKERS WITH MILK CREAM AND STRAWBERRY JAM"	1905.90.20	MFN - 15% Ad Valorem ATIGA - Zero*
17-112	"ACTIMALT DRIED C35"	2106.90.98	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
17-219	"POSTECH POINT OF SALE TERMINAL, MODEL: EP-410LG"	8470.50.00	MFN - Zero ACFTA - Zero*
17-238	"WICKE SWIVEL CASTOR, MODEL: KN R 1/150/40"	7326.90.99	MFN - 15% Ad Valorem ACFTA - Zero*
17-250	"TVM5 BASE UNIT"	8543.70.90G	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
17-251	"UNITAM 3: TVM5 LITE-BASE UNIT"	8543.70.90G	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
17-263	"CEE-BEE HONEY BEE CLEANER 60"	3402.90.13	MFN - 5% Ad Valorem ATIGA - Zero*
17-271	"PANDUIT TX6 PLUS UTP PATCH CORDS"	8544.42.13	MFN - Zero ACFTA - Zero* ATIGA - Zero*
17-277	"HEPROSOL"	3004.50.21	MFN - 5% Ad Valorem ATIGA - Zero*
17-285	"DELPHI LOW VOLTAGE, CHFUS, HALOGEN FREE, THERMOPLASTIC CABLES"	8544.49.22	MFN - 7% Ad Valorem ATIGA /ACFTA - Zero* PJEPA/AJCEPA - Zero*
17-298	"SABIC SUPEER 8115L"	3901.90.90	MFN - 3% Ad Valorem
17-299	"SABIC SUPEER 8115"	3901.90.90	MFN - 3% Ad Valorem
17-313	"STANDARD TEXTILE: HAND TOWELS"	6302.60.00	MFN - 20% Ad Valorem ACFTA - 20% Ad Valorem*
17-314	"STANDARD TEXTILE BATH TOWEL"	6302.60.00	MFN - 20% Ad Valorem ACFTA - 20% Ad Valorem*
17-317	"LG COMMERCIAL AIRCON INDOOR UNITS, MODELS: ARNU12GL2G4, ARNU18GL2G4, ARNU24GL3G4, AND ARNU15GBHA4"	8415.90.19	MFN - 10% Ad Valorem AKFTA - Zero*
17-328	"LG COMMERCIAL AIRCON INDOOR UNIT, MODEL: ARNU24GBH4"	8415.90.19	MFN - 10% Ad Valorem AKFTA - Zero*

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17-329	"XIAMETER AFE-2010 ANTIFOAM EMULSION"	3910.00.20	MFN – 1% Ad Valorem
17-331	"WRIGLEY EXTRA SUGARFREE CHEWING GUM (PEPPERMINT and SWEETMINT FLAVOURS)"	2106.90.99	MFN – 7% Ad Valorem ACFTA – Zero*
17-334	"ZAMIVET 40 (ENRAMYCIN)"	2309.90.20	MFN – Zero ACFTA – Zero*
17-335	"ZAMSTAT 120 (SALINOMYCIN SODIUM)"	2309.90.20	MFN – Zero* ACFTA – Zero*
17-336	"NS-ECO-PILE"	7306.30.99	MFN – 7% Ad Valorem AJCEPA – 1% Ad Valorem* PJEPA – 1% Ad Valorem*
17-337	"STOPPER PLATE FOR NS ECO-PILE"	7326.90.99	MFN – 15% Ad Valorem AJCEPA – 3% Ad Valorem* PJEPA – 3% Ad Valorem*
17-341	"ELECTRIC RESISTANCE WELDED (ERW) PIPE FOR NS ECO-PILE"	7306.30.99	MFN - 7% Ad Valorem AKFTA – 5% Ad Valorem*
17-342	"NS ECO-PILE BLADES"	7325.99.90	MFN - 15% Ad Valorem PJEPA – 3% Ad Valorem* AJCEPA – 3% Ad Valorem*
17-343	"STEEL PINS"	7318.29.90	MFN – 10% Ad Valorem AJCEPA – 2% Ad Valorem* PJEPA – 2% Ad Valorem*
17-345	"VISCOELASTIC COUPLING DAMPER"	7308.90.20	MFN – 3% Ad Valorem AJCEPA – Zero* PJEPA – Zero*
17-346	"VEM DAMPER (PANEL TYPE)"	7308.90.20	MFN – 3% Ad Valorem PJEPA – Zero* AJCEPA – Zero*
17-347	"NS-ECO-SPIRAL"	7304.31.40	MFN – 5% Ad Valorem PJEPA – Zero* AJCEPA – Zero*
17-348	"STEEL BASE PLATE & NNS PLATE"	7326.90.99	MFN – 15% Ad Valorem PJEPA – 3% Ad Valorem* AJCEPA – 3% Ad Valorem*
17-349	"NNS STEEL BAR ROD"	7215.90.90	MFN – 7% Ad Valorem PJEPA – 1% Ad Valorem* AJCEPA – 1% Ad Valorem*
17-350	"NNS STEEL COUPLERS"	7325.99.90	MFN – 15% Ad Valorem PJEPA – 3% Ad Valorem* AJCEPA – 3% Ad Valorem*
17-351	"SPACER"	3926.90.99B	MFN – 15% Ad Valorem AJCEPA – 1% Ad Valorem* PJEPA – 1% Ad Valorem*
17-354	"SOIL STABILIZATION SYSTEM (NONFRAME METHOD)"	7326.90.99	MFN – 15% Ad Valorem PJEPA – 3% Ad Valorem* AJCEPA – 3% Ad Valorem*
17-355	"EROSION CONTROL MAT (SHEET)"	5603.13.00	MFN – 15% Ad Valorem PJEPA – Zero* AJCEPA – Zero*
17-356	"BIOSTRONG FORTE"	2309.90.20	MFN – Zero
17-358	"ZAMBAC ZN150"	2309.90.20	MFN – Zero ACFTA – Zero*

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17-359	"ZAMBAC MD 100 (BACITRACIN METHYLENE DISALICYLATE)"	2309.90.20	MFN - Zero ACFTA - Zero*
17-361	"CENTRALIZER"	7326.90.99	MFN - 15% Ad Valorem PJEPA - 3% Ad Valorem* AJCEPA - 3% Ad Valorem*
17-362	"NNS NUTS"	7318.16.90	MFN - 10% Ad Valorem PJEPA - 2% Ad Valorem* AJCEPA - 2% Ad Valorem*
17-367	"KEYTRUDA (PEMBROLIZUMAB)"	3002.15.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
17-374	"ECONOMASE"	2309.90.20	MFN - Zero
*Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (CO).			

For your information, guidance and strict compliance.


ATTY. EDWARD JAMES A. DY BUCO
 Deputy Commissioner
 Assessment and Operations Coordinating Group

cc: COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS



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TARIFF COMMISSION

ADVANCE RULING ON TARIFF CLASSIFICATION

Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

1	AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2017 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY	2	TCC (AR) NO.
<p style="text-align: center;">AHTN 1905.90.20 MFN - 15% ad valorem ATIGA - Zero</p>			17-077
		3	DATE ISSUED
		AUG 31 2017	

4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"SLAI O'LAI® SANDWICH CRACKERS WITH MILK CREAM AND STRAWBERRY JAM"

Based on the product label, process flow chart, and ingredient list submitted, subject article is a sandwich consisting of crackers with milk cream filling and topped with strawberry jam. The crackers are made from wheat flour, vegetable oil, glucose, sugar, cassava, starch, milk powder, salt, and leavening agent. The milk cream filling is made from vegetable fat, sugar, maltodextrin, dextrose, lactose, non-dairy creamer, milk powder, emulsifier, and nature identical flavor. The strawberry jam is made from fructose, glucose, glycerin, vegetable oil, strawberry juice, apple puree, acidity regulator (malic acid, citric acid, sodium citrate), color (caramel), vegetable stabilizer, emulsifier (soy lecithin), and artificial flavor. Wrapped in cellophane with a net weight of 30 grams, subject article is packed in gift boxes.



5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 19.05 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers, among others, bread, pastry, cakes, biscuits and other bakers' wares, whether or not containing cocoa. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading covers, among others, biscuits. These are usually made from flour and fat to which may have been added sugar or substances such as starches, butter or other fats, milk, cream, eggs, cocoa, chocolate, coffee, honey, fruit, liqueurs, brandy, albumen, cheese, meat, fish, flavourings, yeast or other leavening agents. They are baked for a long time to improve the keeping qualities and are generally put up in closed packages. There are various types of biscuits, including, among others, plain biscuits containing little or no sweetening matter but a relatively high proportion of fat; this type includes cream crackers and water biscuits.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 1905.90.20, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 15% ad valorem, and ASEAN Trade In Goods Agreement (ATIGA) rate of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Form "D".

This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.

FOR THE COMMISSION



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1	AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2017 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY	2	TCC (AR) NO.
	AHTN 2106.90.98 MFN - 1% ad valorem		17-112
		3	DATE ISSUED
			AUG 16 2017

4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD
	“ACTIMALT DRIED C35”
	<p>Based on the product specification and nutritional data, compositional information, and safety data sheet submitted, subject article is a coarse powder with straw-yellow to light brown color. It is composed of processed dried extract of barley and malted barley. It is produced by enzymatic hot water extraction followed by filtration, vacuum evaporation, vacuum band drying, and milling. Packed in 25 kg sacks, subject article is used as a flavourant for bakery products.</p>
5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
	<p>Heading 21.06 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers food preparations not elsewhere specified or included. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) state that provided that they are not covered by any other heading of the Nomenclature, this heading covers preparations consisting wholly or partly of foodstuffs, used in the making of beverages or food preparations for human consumption.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 2106.90.98 with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 1% ad valorem.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p>
	<p>FOR THE COMMISSION</p> <p><i>MariLou P. Mendoza</i></p> <p>MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson</p>
	   <p>17-00311</p>



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Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

1	AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2017 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY	2	TCC (AR) NO.
	AHTN 7326.90.99 MFN - 15% ad valorem ACFTA - Zero		17-238
		3	DATE ISSUED
			AUG 22 2017.

4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD
	“WICKE SWIVEL CASTOR, MODEL: KN R 1/150/40”
	Based on the brochure submitted, subject article is a swivel castor with zinc-plated, pressed steel swivel fork, polyamide wheel, and bolted wheel axle. The wheel has a diameter of 150 mm and width of 40 mm. Having a maximum load capacity of 350 kg, subject article is used to provide mobility to non-mechanically propelled vehicles, machinery, apparatus, furniture, and installations, among others.

5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
	<p>Note 2 to Chapter 83 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 states that for the purposes of heading 83.02, the word “castors” means those having a diameter (including, where appropriate, tyres) not exceeding 75 mm, or those having a diameter (including, where appropriate, tyres) exceeding 75 mm provided that the width of the wheel or tyre fitted thereto is less than 30 mm.</p> <p>Thus, subject article is not a castor of heading 83.02 and is classifiable as an article of its constituent material/s.</p> <p>Heading 39.26 of the AHTN 2017 covers other articles of plastics and articles of other materials of headings 39.01 to 39.14. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) state that this heading covers articles, not elsewhere specified or included, of plastics (as defined in Note 1 to the Chapter) or of other materials of headings 39.01 to 39.14.</p> <p>On the other hand, heading 73.26 of the AHTN 2017 covers other articles of iron or steel. The pertinent HS ENs state that this heading covers all iron or steel articles obtained by forging or punching, by cutting or stamping or by other processes such as folding, assembling, welding, turning, milling or perforating other than articles included in the preceding headings of this Chapter or covered by Note 1 to Section XV or included in Chapter 82 or 83 or more specifically covered elsewhere in the Nomenclature.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject article, being a composite good of equally essential plastic and steel materials, is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 7326.90.99, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 15% ad valorem and ASEAN-China Free Trade Area (ACFTA) rate of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Form “E”.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p>
	FOR THE COMMISSION
	 MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson
	 

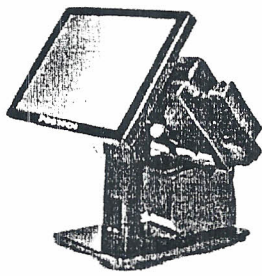
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1	AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2017 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY	2	TCC (AR) NO.
	AHTN 8470.50.00		17-219
	MFN – Zero	3	DATE ISSUED
	ACFTA – Zero		AUG 24 2017

4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD																				
	“POSTECH POINT OF SALE TERMINAL, Model: EP-410LG”																				
	<p>Based on the brochure and technical information submitted, subject article is a point of sale system consisting of the main cashier's touchscreen monitor housing the central processing unit (CPU), customer's monitor, credit card reader, and printer, all in one pedestal. Its features include employee clock-in and viewing sales reports, among others, and it has the following specifications:</p>																				
	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr><td>Model Name</td><td>EP-410LG</td></tr> <tr><td>CPU</td><td>Intel® Celeron™ C1037U</td></tr> <tr><td>System Memory</td><td>2G / 4G DDR3 - 800 / 1066</td></tr> <tr><td>Hard Disk Drive (HDD)</td><td>320 GB / 500 GB</td></tr> <tr><td>Monitor Resolution</td><td>1024 x 768</td></tr> <tr><td>USB Connector</td><td>6 ports</td></tr> <tr><td>PS/2 Connector</td><td>Keyboard and mouse</td></tr> <tr><td>LAN Connector</td><td>RJ-45</td></tr> <tr><td>Power Input</td><td>12 VDC</td></tr> </table>	Model Name	EP-410LG	CPU	Intel® Celeron™ C1037U	System Memory	2G / 4G DDR3 - 800 / 1066	Hard Disk Drive (HDD)	320 GB / 500 GB	Monitor Resolution	1024 x 768	USB Connector	6 ports	PS/2 Connector	Keyboard and mouse	LAN Connector	RJ-45	Power Input	12 VDC		
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5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION		
	<p>Heading 84.70 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers, among others, cash registers. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) state that these machines such as cash registers are used in shops, offices, etc., to provide a record of all transactions (sales, services rendered, etc.) as they occur, of the amounts involved, the total of the amounts recorded and, in some cases, the code number of the article sold, quantity sold, time of transaction, etc. This heading also covers cash registers working in conjunction, on-line or off-line, with an automatic data processing machine and cash registers which use, for example, the memory and microprocessor of another cash register (to which they are linked by cable) to perform the same functions. This group also includes terminals for electronic payment by credit or debit card. These terminals use the telephone network to connect to the financial institution for authorisation and completion of the transaction, and to record and issue receipts indicating the amounts debited and credited.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 8470.50.00 with Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of zero and ASEAN-China Free Trade Area (ACFTA) rate of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Form “E”.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p>		

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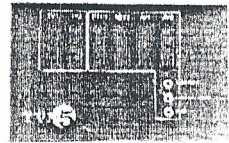
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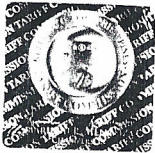

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1	AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2017 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY	2	TCC (AR) NO.
	AHTN 8543.70.90G MFN – 1% ad valorem		17-250
		3	DATE ISSUED
			AUG 16 2017

4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD								
	“TVM5 BASE UNIT”								
	<p>Based on the type approval certificate from the National Telecommunications Commission (NTC) and technical specifications submitted, subject article is an electronic device connected to the television, as part of a system designed to detect, collect, monitor, and transmit data on the viewing habits of a sample audience. It is programmed to record the duration, channel, and the number of viewers at any given time. Being the core equipment of the system, it has the following specifications:</p>								
	<table border="1" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 35%;">Processor</td> <td style="width: 65%;">Texas Instruments Digital Signal Processor (DSP)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Memory (Mbit)</td> <td>64 (ram), 8 (flash), 1 (video ram)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Input/Output (I/O) Unit</td> <td>Programmable</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Power Supply</td> <td>External: 5 V, 3 A Battery: 7 V, 2200 mAh</td> </tr> </table>	Processor	Texas Instruments Digital Signal Processor (DSP)	Memory (Mbit)	64 (ram), 8 (flash), 1 (video ram)	Input/Output (I/O) Unit	Programmable	Power Supply	External: 5 V, 3 A Battery: 7 V, 2200 mAh
Processor	Texas Instruments Digital Signal Processor (DSP)								
Memory (Mbit)	64 (ram), 8 (flash), 1 (video ram)								
Input/Output (I/O) Unit	Programmable								
Power Supply	External: 5 V, 3 A Battery: 7 V, 2200 mAh								
	<p>SIDE</p>  <p>TOP</p> 								

5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
	<p>Heading 85.43 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers electrical machines and apparatus, having individual functions, not specified or included elsewhere in this Chapter. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) state that this heading covers all electrical appliances and apparatus, not falling in any other heading of this Chapter, nor covered more specifically by a heading of any other Chapter of the Nomenclature, nor excluded by the operation of a Legal Note to Section XVI or to this Chapter. Most of the appliances of this heading consist of an assembly of electrical goods or parts (valves, transformers, capacitors, chokes, resistors, etc.) operating wholly electrically.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 8543.70.90G, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 1% ad valorem.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p>
	<p>FOR THE COMMISSION</p> <p><i>MariLou P. Mendoza</i></p> <p>MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson</p>
	  <p>17-00312</p>

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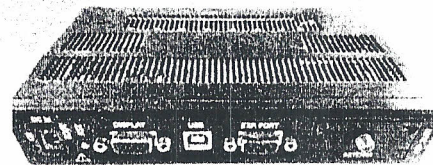
1 AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2017 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY AHTN 8543.70.90G MFN - 1% ad valorem	2 TCC (AR) NO. 17-251
	3 DATE ISSUED AUG 22 2017

4 **DESCRIPTION OF GOOD**

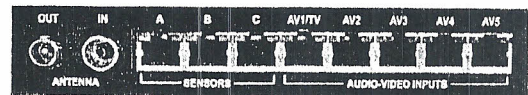
“UNITAM 3: TVM5 LITE-BASE UNIT”

Based on the type approval certificate from the National Telecommunications Commission (NTC) and technical specifications submitted, subject article is an electronic device designed to monitor and gather data for the purpose of “TV (television) ratings” survey. It is programmed to record the duration, channel, and the viewers at any given time. Subject article is connected to the television and is part of a system designed to measure, collect, and transmit data on the viewing habits of a sample audience. The TVM5 lite-base unit has an RF (radio frequency) range of 900/1800 MHz (Megahertz), a maximum RF power output of 2 W (Watts), and a modulation type of GMSK (Gaussian Minimum Shift Keying).

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5 **REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION**

Heading 85.43 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers, electrical machines and apparatus, having individual functions, not specified or included elsewhere in this Chapter. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) state that this heading covers all electrical appliances and apparatus, not falling in any other heading of this Chapter, nor covered more specifically by a heading of any other Chapter of the Nomenclature, nor excluded by the operation of a Legal Note to Section XVI or to this Chapter. The electrical appliances and apparatus of this heading must have individual functions. The introductory provisions of Explanatory Note to heading 84.79 concerning machines and mechanical appliances having individual functions apply, *mutatis mutandis*, to the appliances and apparatus of this heading. Most of the appliances of this heading consist of an assembly of electrical goods or parts (valves, transformers, capacitors, chokes, resistors, etc.) operating wholly electrically.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 8543.70.90G, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 1% ad valorem.

This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.

FOR THE COMMISSION

MariLou P. Mendoza

MARILOU P. MENDOZA
 Chairperson



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Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

1	AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2017 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY	2	TCC (AR) NO.
	<p>AHTN 3402.90.13 MFN – 5% ad valorem ATIGA – Zero</p>		17-263
		3	DATE ISSUED
			AUG 31 2017

4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD
	<p>“CEE-BEE® HONEY BEE CLEANER 60”</p> <p>Based on the certificate of chemical composition and safety data sheet submitted, subject article is a concentrated acidic blue liquid cleaner which contains sulfamic acid, polyethylene glycol octylphenyl ether (non-ionic surfactant), blue dye, and water. It is packed in 25 liter pails and used as hard water and urinary scale remover for aircraft toilets.</p>

5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
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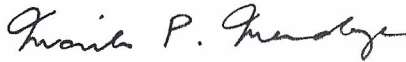
Heading 34.02 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers, among others, surface-active preparations, washing preparations (including auxiliary washing preparations) and cleaning preparations, whether or not containing soap, other than those of heading 34.01. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this group comprises three categories of preparations including washing preparations (including auxiliary washing preparations) and cleaning preparations, having a basis of soap or other organic surface-active agents. This category covers washing preparations, auxiliary washing preparations and certain cleaning preparations. These various preparations generally contain essential constituents and one or more subsidiary constituents. Cleaning preparations serve for cleaning floors, windows or other surfaces. They may also contain small quantities of odoriferous substances.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 3402.90.13 with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 5% ad valorem and ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA) rate of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Form “D”.

This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.

FOR THE COMMISSION




MARILOU P. MENDOZA
 Chairperson



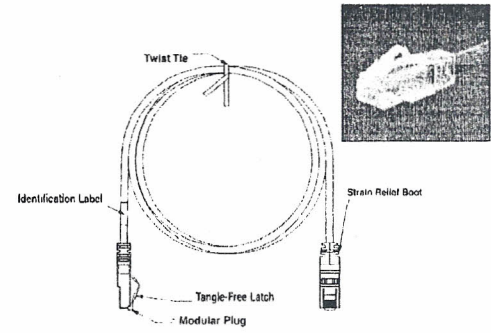
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1	AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2017 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY	2	TCC (AR) NO.
	AHTN 8544.42.13 MFN - Zero ATIGA - Zero ACFTA - Zero		17-271
		3	DATE ISSUED
			AUG 22 2017

4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD
	<p>“PANDUIT® TX6™ PLUS UTP PATCH CORDS”</p> <p>Based on the brochure and report of test submitted, subject articles are color-coded plastic insulated electrical conductors fitted with modular plugs at each end. These are made from 24 AWG (diameter) unshielded twisted pair (UTP) stranded copper cable with a maximum operating voltage of 80 V. Subject articles are used as UTP patch cords compatible with both T568A and T568B wiring schemes for Ethernet and other telecommunication networks.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;">  </div>

5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
	<p>Heading 85.44 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers, among others, insulated (including enamelled or anodised) wire, cable (including co-axial cable) and other insulated electric conductors, whether or not fitted with connectors. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) state that this heading covers, among others, telecommunications wires and cables (including submarine cables and data transmission wires and cables) that are generally made up of a pair, a quad or a cable core, the whole usually covered with a sheath. A pair or a quad consists of two or four insulated wires, respectively (each wire is made up of a single copper conductor insulated with a coloured material of plastics having a thickness not exceeding 0.5 mm), twisted together.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject articles are classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 8544.42.13 with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of zero and ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA) and ASEAN-China Free Trade Area (ACFTA) rate of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Forms “D” and “E”, respectively.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p> <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 20px;"> <p>FOR THE COMMISSION</p>  <p>MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson</p> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 20px;">  <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>17-00325</p> </div> </div>





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TARIFF COMMISSION

ADVANCE RULING ON TARIFF CLASSIFICATION

Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

1	AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2017 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY	2	TCC (AR) NO.
<p style="text-align: center;">AHTN 3004.50.21 MFN - 5% ad valorem ATIGA - Zero</p>		17-277	
		3	DATE ISSUED
		AUG 30 2017.	

4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD
<p>“HEPROSOL”</p> <p>Based on the technical specifications submitted, subject article is an oral supplement containing choline chloride, betaine, inositol, L-carnitine, lysine, methionine, sorbitol, Vitamins B₅ and B₁₂, biotin, and selenium. Available in the form of a light orange liquid, it is packed in 1 and 5 L (liter) containers, and used for the maintenance of healthy liver function and prevention of fatty liver syndrome of animals, among others. Subject article is to be mixed with drinking water at the rate of 1-2 ml per 1 L of water for poultry and swine, and mixed at a rate of 1-4 ml per 1 kg of feeds for aquatic animals.</p>	
5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
<p>Note (g) of the Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) to heading 23.09 excludes medicaments of heading 30.03 or 30.04.</p> <p>Heading 30.04 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers medicaments (excluding goods of heading 30.02, 30.05 or 30.06) consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses, put up in measured doses (including those in the form of transdermal administration systems) or in forms or packings for retail sale. The pertinent HS ENs state that this heading covers medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed products, provided they are in packings for retail sale for therapeutic or prophylactic use. This refers to products (for example, sodium bicarbonate and tamarind powder) which, because of their packing and, in particular, the presence of appropriate indications (statement of disease or condition for which they are to be used, method of use or application, statement of dose, etc.) are clearly intended for sale directly to users (private persons, hospitals, etc.) without repacking, for the above purposes.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 3004.50.21 with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 5% ad valorem and ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA) rate of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Form “D”.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p>	
<p>FOR THE COMMISSION</p> <p><i>MariLou P. Mendoza</i></p> <p>MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson</p>	
  <p>17-00339</p>	



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Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

1	AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2017 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY	2	TCC (AR) NO.
	AHTN 8544.49.22		17-285
	MFN – 7% ad valorem		
	ATIGA – Zero		
	ACFTA – Zero		
	PJEPA – Zero	3	DATE ISSUED
	AJCEPA – Zero		AUG 22 2017

4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

“DELPHI LOW VOLTAGE, CHFUS, HALOGEN FREE, THERMOPLASTIC CABLES”

Based on the technical specifications submitted, subject articles are insulated cables with nominal voltage rating of 60 V. Covered and insulated with thermoplastic materials, these are designed for automotive wiring harness and have the following specifications:

Wire Size (mm ²)	No. of Strands	Conductor/Core Diameter (mm)	Maximum Finished Cable Diameter (mm)
0.22	7	0.55	1.05
0.35	7	0.70	1.20
0.50	7	0.85	1.37
0.75	19	1.00	1.52
1.00	19	1.20	1.72
1.25	19	1.40	1.92
1.50	19	1.45	1.97

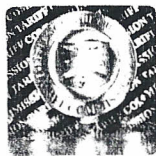
5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 85.44 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers, among others, insulated (including enamelled or anodised) wire, cable (including co-axial cable) and other insulated electric conductors, whether or not fitted with connectors. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) state that provided they are insulated, this heading covers electric wire, cable and other conductors (e.g., braids, strip, bars) used as conductors in electrical machinery, apparatus or installations. Subject to this condition, the heading includes wiring for interior work or for exterior use (e.g., underground, submarine or aerial wires or cables). These goods vary from very fine insulated wire to thick cables of more complex types.

In view thereof, subject articles are classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 8544.49.22, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 7% ad valorem, and ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA), ASEAN-China Free Trade Area (ACFTA), ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA), and Philippines-Japan Economic Partnership Agreement (PJEPA) rates of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Forms “D”, “E”, “AJ”, and “JP”, respectively.

This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.

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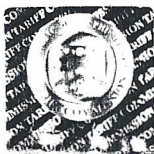

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ADVANCE RULING ON TARIFF CLASSIFICATION

Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

1	AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2017 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY	2	TCC (AR) NO.
	AHTN 3901.90.90 MFN – 3% ad valorem		17-298
		3	DATE ISSUED
			AUG 22 2017

4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD
	“SABIC® SUPEER™ 8115L”
	<p>Based on the safety data sheet submitted, subject article is a metallocene catalyzed linear low density polyethylene (mLLDPE) resin. It contains, by weight, < 94% ethylene and >6% 1-octene with slip and anti-block additives. It is in the form of pellets having a melt flow rate of 1.10 g/10 min at 190°C and 2.16 kg and a density of 915 kg/m³, with slight or no odor. Subject article is used in general purpose blown film applications such as lamination films, frozen bags, liquid pouches, heavy duty bags, industrial liners, agriculture films, and stretch hoods, among others.</p>
5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
	<p>Note 4 to Chapter 39 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 states that the expression “copolymers” covers all polymers in which no single monomer unit contributes 95 % or more by weight to the total polymer content. For the purposes of this Chapter, except where the context otherwise requires, copolymers (including co-polycondensates, co-polyaddition products, block copolymers and graft copolymers) and polymer blends are to be classified in the heading covering polymers of that comonomer unit which predominates by weight over every other single comonomer unit.</p> <p>Furthermore, Note 6(b) to this Chapter states that in headings 39.01 to 39.14, the expression “primary forms” applies only to, among others, the blocks of irregular shape, lumps, powders (including moulding powders), granules, flakes and similar bulk forms.</p> <p>Heading 39.01 of the AHTN 2017 covers polymers of ethylene, in primary forms.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 3901.90.90 with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 3% ad valorem.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p>
	<p>FOR THE COMMISSION</p> <p><i>Marilou P. Mendoza</i></p> <p>MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson</p>
	  Republic of the Philippines TARIFF COMMISSION 17-00327



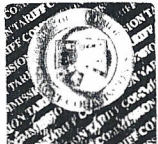

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				17-299
			3	DATE ISSUED
				AUG 16 2017

4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD
	<p style="text-align: center;">“SABIC® SUPEER™ 8115”</p> <p>Based on the safety data sheet submitted, subject article is a metallocene catalyzed linear low density polyethylene (mLLDPE) resin. It contains, by weight, < 94% ethylene and >6% 1-octene in the form of slight or no odor pellets with density of 915 kg/m³ and a melt flow rate of 1.10 g/10 min at 190°C and 2.16 kg. Subject article is used in general purpose LLDPE blown film applications such as lamination films, frozen bags, liquid pouches, heavy duty bags, industrial liners, agriculture films, and stretch hoods, among others.</p>
5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
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	<p>FOR THE COMMISSION</p> <p><i>MariLou P. Mendoza</i> MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson</p>
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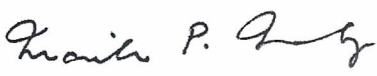




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1	AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2017 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY	2	TCC (AR) NO.
	AHTN 6302.60.00 MFN - 20% ad valorem ACFTA - 20% ad valorem		17-313
		3	DATE ISSUED
			AUG 16 2017

4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD
	“STANDARD TEXTILE: HAND TOWELS”
	Based on the brochure and sample submitted, subject article is a hand towel made of terry towelling fabric, with 97% cotton and 3% polyester. Subject article comes in plain white color, with centium design, and is available in 76 cm X 41 cm size (L x W), with a weight of 180 g.

5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
	<p>Heading 63.02 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers bed linen, table linen, toilet linen and kitchen linen. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) state that this heading covers toilet linen and kitchen linen, of terry towelling or similar terry fabrics, of cotton. These articles are usually made of cotton or flax, but sometimes also of hemp, ramie or man-made fibres, etc. They include, toilet linen, e.g., hand or face towels (including roller towels), bath towels, beach towels, face cloths and toilet gloves.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 6302.60.00, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 20% ad valorem, and ASEAN-China Free Trade Area (ACFTA) rate of duty of 20% ad valorem, subject to the submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Form “E”.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p>
	FOR THE COMMISSION
	 MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson
	  Republic of the Philippines TARIFF COMMISSION 17-00314



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1	AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2017 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY	2	TCC (AR) NO.
	AHTN 6302.60.00 MFN – 20% ad valorem ACFTA – 20% ad valorem		17-314
		3	DATE ISSUED
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4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD
	“STANDARD TEXTILE BATH TOWEL”
	Based on the brochure, and sample submitted, subject article is a plain white rectangular bath towel made of 96% cotton and 4% polyester terry towelling fabric. With a size of 152 cm x 76 cm (LxW), it is used for drying or wiping the body after bathing or showering.

5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
	<p>Heading 63.02 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers bed linen, table linen, toilet linen and kitchen linen. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) state that these articles are usually made of cotton or flax, but sometimes also of hemp, ramie or man-made fibres, etc.; they are normally of a kind suitable for laundering. They include, among others, toilet linen, e.g., hand or face towels (including roller towels), bath towels, beach towels, face cloths and toilet gloves.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 6302.60.00, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 20% ad valorem, and ASEAN-China Free Trade Area (ACFTA) rate of duty of 20% ad valorem, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Form “E”.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p>
	<p>FOR THE COMMISSION</p> <p><i>MariLou P. Mendoza</i></p> <p>MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson</p>
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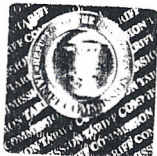

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1	AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2017 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY	2	TCC (AR) NO.
	AHTN 8415.90.19 MFN – 10% ad valorem AKFTA – Zero		17-317
		3	DATE ISSUED
			AUG 16 2017

4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD																																
	<p>“LG COMMERCIAL AIRCON INDOOR UNITS, MODELS: ARNU12GL2G4, ARNU18GL2G4, ARNU24GL3G4, AND ARNU15GBHA4”</p> <p>Based on the brochure submitted, subject articles are concealed-type fan coil/ evaporator units of “split-system” type air conditioning systems. These units house the fan motor, fan evaporator, and the temperature sensor. Subject articles are to be connected through electrical wiring and tubing to the outdoor units that house the compressor, expansion valve, and condenser. Designed to be mounted hidden in ceilings, their specifications are as follows:</p>																																
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5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
	<p>Heading 84.15 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers air conditioning machines, comprising a motor-driven fan and elements for changing the temperature and humidity, including those machines in which the humidity cannot be separately regulated. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) state that this heading covers certain apparatus for maintaining required conditions of temperature and humidity in closed spaces. They are used for air conditioning, among others, offices, homes, public halls, etc.</p> <p>The ENs for parts of heading 84.15 state that, in accordance with the provisions of Note 2 (b) to Section XVI, this heading includes separately presented indoor units and outdoor units for split-system air conditioning machines of this heading.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject articles are classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 8415.90.19, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 10% ad valorem and ASEAN-Korea Free Trade Area (AKFTA) rate of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Form “AK”. etc.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p>
	<p>FOR THE COMMISSION</p> <p><i>MariLou P. Mendoza</i></p> <p>MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson</p>
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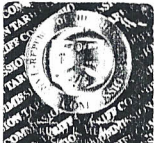

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AHTN 8415.90.19 MFN – 10% ad valorem AKFTA – Zero		17-328	
		3	DATE ISSUED
		AUG 22 2017	

4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD												
“LG COMMERCIAL AIRCON INDOOR UNIT, MODEL: ARNU24GBH4”													
<p>Based on the brochure submitted, subject article is a concealed-type fan coil/ evaporator unit of “split-system” type air conditioning system. This unit houses the fan motor, fan evaporator, and the temperature sensor. Subject article is to be connected through electrical wiring and tubing to the outdoor unit that houses the compressor, expansion valve, and condenser. Designed to be mounted hidden in ceilings, its specifications are as follows:</p>													
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<p>FOR THE COMMISSION</p> <p><i>MariLou P. Mendoza</i></p> <p>MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson</p>	
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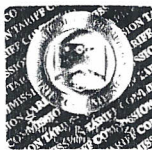

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	AHTN 3910.00.20 MFN - 1% ad valorem		17-329
		3	DATE ISSUED
			AUG 16 2017

4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD
	“XIAMETER® AFE-2010 ANTIFOAM EMULSION”
	Based on the packing list, component functionality information, and sample submitted, subject article is an aqueous solution of polydimethylsiloxane. Packed in drums, subject article is used as a foam control agent (defoamer) in fabric softeners. It is also used as an intermediate, solvent, or process regulator, and in cosmetics.
5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
	Note 6(a) to Chapter 39 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 states that in headings 39.01 to 39.14, the expression “primary forms” applies only to liquids and pastes, including dispersions (emulsions and suspensions) and solutions.
	Heading 39.10 of the AHTN 2017 covers silicones in primary forms. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) state that the silicones of this heading are non-chemically defined products containing in the molecule more than one silicon-oxygen-silicon linkage, and containing organic groups connected to the silicon atoms by direct silicon-carbon bonds. They have a high stability and may be either liquid, semi-liquid or solid.
	In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 3910.00.20 with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 1% ad valorem.
	This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.
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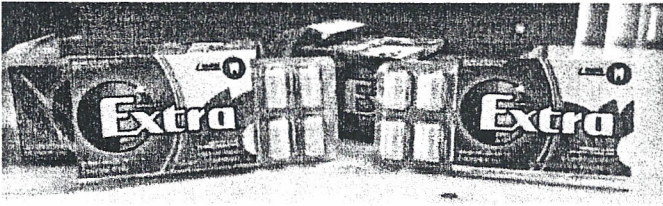


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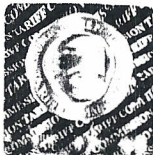

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4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD <p style="text-align: center;">“WRIGLEY EXTRA™ SUGARFREE CHEWING GUM (PEPPERMINT and SWEETMINT FLAVOURS)”</p> <p>Based on the certificates of composition, brochures, process flow diagram and samples submitted, subject articles are sugarfree chewing gum in the form of white rectangular pellet, and are available in peppermint and sweetmint flavours. The peppermint flavour is composed mainly of sorbitol, maltitol, and gum base while the sweetmint is composed mainly of xylitol, gum base, sorbitol, and mannitol. Subject articles are packed in 11 g blister packs, 28 g foil packs, and 56 g plastic bottles.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;">    </div>

5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION <p>Heading 21.06 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers food preparations not elsewhere specified or included. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) state that the heading includes, <i>inter alia</i>, sweets, gums and the like (for diabetics, in particular) containing synthetic sweetening agents (e.g., sorbitol) instead of sugar.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject articles are classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 2106.90.99, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 7% ad valorem and ASEAN-China Free Trade Area (ACFTA) rate of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Form “E”.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">FOR THE COMMISSION</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>MariLou P. Mendoza</i> MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center; margin-top: 20px;">  <div style="text-align: center;">  Republic of the Philippines TARIFF COMMISSION 17-00342 </div> </div>



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1	AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2017 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY	2	TCC (AR) NO.
	AHTN 2309.90.20 MFN – Zero ACFTA - Zero		17-334
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4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD**“ZAMIVET 40 (ENRAMYCIN)”**

Based on the certificate of product registration from the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI), production catalog, product formula summary, and material safety data sheet submitted, subject article is an antibacterial/anti-infective light to yellow brown powder, consisting of enramycin with corn powder as carrier. Packed in 25 kg multilayered polyethylene bags, it is indicated for the prevention and treatment of Necrotic enteritis in broilers and layers caused by *Clostridium perfringens* in poultry as well as Clostridial enteritis and dysentery in swine. It is added at a rate of 125 to 250 grams per tonne of feed for 3 to 5 days, or 500 grams per tonne of feed for 5-7 days, depending on the condition of poultry and swine.

5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 23.09 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers preparations of a kind used in animal feeding. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) state that this heading covers, among others, preparations for use in making the complete feeds or supplementary feeds. These preparations, known in trade as “premixes”, are, generally speaking, compound compositions consisting of a number of substances (sometimes called additives) the nature and proportions of which vary according to the animal production required. These substances include among others, those which improve digestion and, more generally, ensure that the animal makes good use of the feeds and safeguard its health: vitamins or provitamins, amino-acids, antibiotics, coccidiostats, trace elements, emulsifiers, flavourings and appetisers, etc.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 2309.90.20, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of zero and ASEAN-China Free Trade Area (ACFTA) rate of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Form “E”.

This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.

FOR THE COMMISSION

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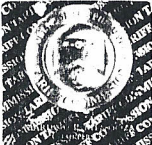

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	AHTN 2309.90.20 MFN - Zero ACFTA - Zero		17-335
		3	DATE ISSUED
			AUG 22 2017

4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD
	“ZAMSTAT 120 (SALINOMYCIN SODIUM)”
	<p>Based on the certificate of product registration from the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI), production catalog, product formula summary, and material safety data sheet submitted, subject article is an anticoccidial feed premix in the form of tan to light brown granular powder, consisting of salinomycin sodium with calcium carbonate as carrier. Packed in 25 kg bags, it is indicated for the prevention and control of coccidiosis caused by <i>Eimeria</i> spp. in poultry. Subject article is mixed at a rate of 500 grams per ton of feed.</p>
5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
	<p>Heading 23.09 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers preparations of a kind used in animal feeding. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) state that this heading covers, among others, preparations for use in making the complete feeds or supplementary feeds. These preparations, known in trade as “premixes”, are, generally speaking, compound compositions consisting of a number of substances (sometimes called additives) the nature and proportions of which vary according to the animal production required. These substances include among others, those which improve digestion and, more generally, ensure that the animal makes good use of the feeds and safeguard its health: vitamins or provitamins, amino-acids, antibiotics, coccidiostats, trace elements, emulsifiers, flavourings and appetisers, etc.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 2309.90.20, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of zero and ASEAN-China Free Trade Area (ACFTA) rate of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Form “E”.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">FOR THE COMMISSION</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>MariLou P. Mendoza</i> MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson</p>
	 



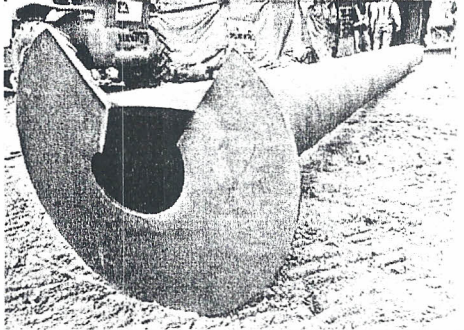
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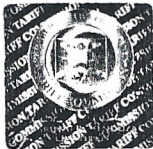

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	AHTN 7306.30.99		17-336
	MFN - 7% ad valorem	3	DATE ISSUED
	AJCEPA - 1% ad valorem		AUG 23 2017
	PJEPA - 1% ad valorem		

4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD
	“NS ECO-PILE™”
	<p>Based on the brochure and technical information submitted, subject article is an electric resistance welded (ERW) steel pipe with a helical blade welded on its bottom edge. The non-alloy steel pipe, conforming to JIS (Japanese Industrial Standards) STK490, is manufactured by cold-forming a steel sheet and welding it longitudinally across its length. With external diameter ranging from 165.2 mm ~ 406.4 mm and length ranging from 1,000 mm ~ 9,000 mm, subject article is used as a steel pile ideal for use in small areas.</p>
	

5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
	<p>Heading 73.06 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers other tubes, pipes and hollow profiles (for example, open seam or welded, riveted or similarly closed), of iron or steel. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) state that the provisions of the Explanatory Note to heading 73.05 apply, <i>mutatis mutandis</i>, to the articles of this heading. The ENs for heading 73.05 state that the tubes and pipes of this heading are obtained, for example, by welding or riveting preformed, unclosed, tubular shapes produced from flat-rolled products. They include, among others, tubes for piling or structural columns.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 7306.30.99, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 7% ad valorem; and ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA) and Philippines-Japan Economic Partnership Agreement (PJEPA) rates of duty of 1% ad valorem, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Forms “AJ” and “JP”, respectively.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p>
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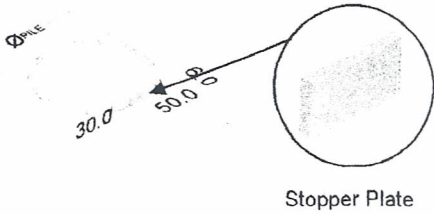
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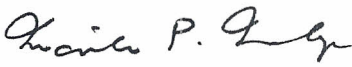



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	AHTN 7326.90.99		17-337
	MFN - 15% ad valorem	3	DATE ISSUED
	AJCEPA - 3% ad valorem		AUG 22 2017
	PJEPA - 3% ad valorem		

4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD
	“STOPPER PLATE FOR NS ECO-PILE™”
	<p>Based on the brochure and technical information submitted, subject article is a curved plate, measuring 6 mm x 30 mm x 50 mm, made from stamping carbon steel plate conforming to Japanese Industrial Standards (JIS) SS400. Subject article is a component in the fabrication of NS Eco-Pile™ and is installed inside the pipe to ensure that the backing ring and/or adjusting ring is set in its proper place and alignment.</p>
	 <p style="text-align: center;">Stopper Plate</p>

5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
	<p>Heading 73.26 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers other articles of iron or steel. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) state that this heading covers all iron or steel articles obtained by forging or punching, by cutting or stamping or by other processes such as folding, assembling, welding, turning, milling or perforating other than articles included in the preceding headings of this Chapter or covered by Note 1 to Section XV or included in Chapter 82 or 83 or more specifically covered elsewhere in the Nomenclature.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 7326.90.99, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 15% ad valorem; and ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA) and Philippines-Japan Economic Partnership Agreement (PJEPA) rates of duty of 3% ad valorem, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Forms “AJ” and “JP”, respectively.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p>
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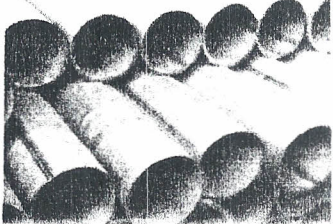
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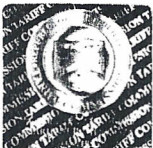

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4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD
<p style="text-align: center;">“ELECTRIC RESISTANCE WELDED (ERW) PIPE FOR NS ECO-PILE™”</p> <p>Based on the brochure, technical specifications, fabrication drawing, and chemical composition submitted, subject article is an ERW pipe made from carbon steel conforming to JIS (Japan Industrial Standard) STK490. Subject article is manufactured by cold-forming a steel sheet and then welding it longitudinally across its length. It has a circular cross section with external diameter ranging from 165.2 mm to 406.4 mm and internal diameter ranging from 159.2 mm to 397.4 mm. Subject article is used as the main component in the fabrication of NS Eco-Pile™.</p> 	

5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
<p>Heading 73.06 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers other tubes, pipes and hollow profiles (for example, open seam or welded, riveted or similarly closed), of iron or steel. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) state that the provisions of the ENs to heading 73.05 apply, <i>mutatis mutandis</i>, to the articles of this heading. The pertinent HS ENs to heading 73.05 state that the tubes and pipes of this heading are obtained, for example, by welding or riveting preformed, unclosed, tubular shapes produced from flat-rolled products. They include, among others, tubes for piling or structural columns, as well as hydroelectric conduits, usually reinforced with rings.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 7306.30.99, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 7% ad valorem and ASEAN-Korea Free Trade Area (AKFTA) rate of duty of 5% ad valorem, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Form “AK”.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">FOR THE COMMISSION</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>MariLou P. Mendoza</i> MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson</p>  	



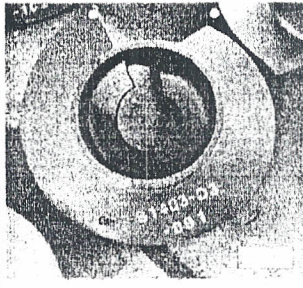
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4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD																																															
	“NS ECO-PILE™ BLADES”																																															
	<p>Based on the brochure and technical specifications submitted, subject articles are casted, helical, screw blades made of carbon steel conforming to JIS (Japanese International Standards) STK400, STK490, and SCW480. These are to be welded on the bottom end of electric resistance welded (ERW) steel pipes to form the NS Eco-Pile™ steel piles. During construction, the pile driver rotates the pile, driving the pile into the ground like a screw. Size selection is determined by the size of the NS Eco-Pile™, with specifications as follows:</p>																																															
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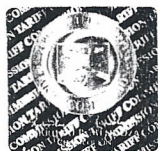
5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 73.25 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers other cast articles of iron or steel. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that the heading covers all cast articles of iron or steel, not elsewhere specified or included.

In view thereof, subject articles are classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 7325.99.90, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 15% ad valorem; and Philippines-Japan Economic Partnership Agreement (PJEPA) and ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA) rates of duty of 3% ad valorem, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Forms “JP” or “AJ”, respectively.

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4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD																	
	“STEEL PINS”																	
	<p>Based on the technical information submitted, subject articles are non-threaded carbon steel pins with alloy steel pin caps. These are used for connecting structural members and have the following specifications:</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th>Item</th> <th>Specification</th> <th>Min. – Max.</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td rowspan="3">Pin</td> <td>Diameter (mm)</td> <td>23 – 160</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Length (mm)</td> <td>41 – 234</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Unit Weight (kg)</td> <td>0.1 – 36.9</td> </tr> <tr> <td rowspan="3">Pin Cap</td> <td>Diameter (mm)</td> <td>33 – 190</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Thickness (mm)</td> <td>15 – 20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Unit Weight (kg)</td> <td>0.1 – 4.5</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Item	Specification	Min. – Max.	Pin	Diameter (mm)	23 – 160	Length (mm)	41 – 234	Unit Weight (kg)	0.1 – 36.9	Pin Cap	Diameter (mm)	33 – 190	Thickness (mm)	15 – 20	Unit Weight (kg)	0.1 – 4.5
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5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
	<p>Heading 73.18 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers screws, bolts, nuts, coach screws, screw hooks, rivets, cotters, cotter-pins, washers (including spring washers) and similar articles, of iron or steel. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) state that this heading covers bolts and nuts (including bolt ends), screw studs and other screws for metal, whether or not threaded or tapped, screws for wood and coach-screws are threaded (in the finished state) and are used to assemble or fasten goods so that they can readily be disassembled without damage.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject articles are classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 7318.29.90, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 10% ad valorem, and ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA) and Philippines-Japan Economic Partnership Agreement (PJEPA) rates of duty of 2% ad valorem, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Forms “AJ” and “JP”, respectively.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p>
	<p>FOR THE COMMISSION</p> <p><i>MariLou P. Mendoza</i></p> <p>MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson</p>
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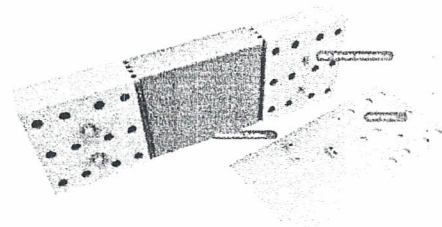
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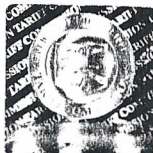


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	AHTN 7308.90.20		17-345
	MFN - 3% ad valorem	3	DATE ISSUED
	AJCEPA - Zero		AUG 16 2017
	PJEPA - Zero		

4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD
	“VISCOELASTIC COUPLING DAMPER”
	<p>Based on the brochure and technical information submitted, subject article is a prefabricated structural vibration damper measuring 1540 mm x 540 mm x 123 mm (LxWxT). It consists of several layers of viscoelastic material (acrylic polymer) sandwiched between steel plates, and are bolted together to form the damper. Subject article is designed to be bolted onto structural elements grouted into walls, such as between reinforced concrete core walls or outriggers and columns, to reduce seismic vibrations.</p>



5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
	<p>Heading 73.08 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers structures (excluding prefabricated buildings of heading 94.06) and parts of structures (for example, bridges and bridge-sections, lock-gates, towers, lattice masts, roofs, roofing frame-works, doors and windows and their frames and thresholds for doors, shutters, balustrades, pillars and columns), of iron or steel; plates, rods, angles, shapes, sections, tubes and the like, prepared for use in structures, of iron or steel. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) state that this heading covers complete or incomplete metal structures, as well as parts of structures. For the purpose of this heading, these structures are characterised by the fact that once they are put in position, they generally remain in that position. They are usually made up from bars, rods, tubes, angles, shapes, sections, sheets, plates, wide flats including so-called universal plates, hoop, strip, forgings or castings, by riveting, bolting, welding, etc.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 7308.90.20, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 3% ad valorem; and ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA) and Philippines-Japan Economic Partnership Agreement (PJEPA) rates of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Forms “AJ” and “JP”, respectively.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p>
	<p>FOR THE COMMISSION</p> <p><i>MariLou P. Mendoza</i></p> <p>MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson</p>
	   <p>17-00318</p>




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	AHTN 7308.90.20 MFN - 3% ad valorem PJEPA - Zero AJCEPA - Zero		17-346
		3	DATE ISSUED
			AUG 31 2017

4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD
	“VEM DAMPER (PANEL TYPE)”
	<p>Based on the brochure and technical information submitted, subject article is a prefabricated, panel type, structural vibration damper. The Visco-Elastic Material (VEM) Damper consists of a core plate (H-shape steel), and layers of steel plates and visco-elastic material laminated alternately. Subject article is to be bolted onto the steel columns of structures to lessen and dampen the vibrations of the building.</p>
	

5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
	<p>Heading 73.08 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers structures and parts of structures, of iron or steel; plates, rods, angles, shapes, sections, tubes and the like, prepared for use in structures, of iron or steel. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that the heading covers complete or incomplete metal structures, as well as parts of structures. For the purpose of this heading, these structures are characterised by the fact that once they are put in position, they generally remain in that position. They are usually made up from bars, rods, tubes, angles, shapes, sections, sheets, plates, wide flats including so-called universal plates, hoop, strip, forgings or castings, by riveting, bolting, welding, etc.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 7308.90.20, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 3% ad valorem, and Philippines-Japan Economic Partnership Agreement (PJEPA) and ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA) rates of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Forms “JP” or “AJ”, respectively.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p>
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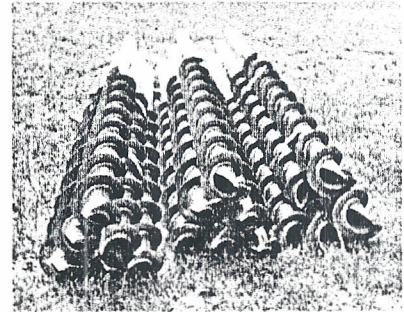
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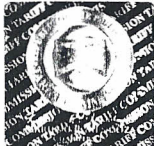

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		3	DATE ISSUED
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4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD
<p>“NS ECO-SPIRAL”</p> <p>Based on the brochure and technical information submitted, subject article is a seamless, cold-rolled, non-alloy steel pipe, with spiral blade (wing) on approximately two-thirds (2/3) of its body length. It has an external diameter of 101.6 mm and length of 2,800 mm. Subject article is used as a steel pile, driven directly into the ground using a compact pile-driving machine, to support structures such as buildings, bridges, towers, conduits, among others. Its chemical composition consists of 0.18% to 0.25% (max) carbon (C), 0.55% (max) silicon (Si), 1.50% (max) manganese (Mn), 0.04% (max) phosphorus (P), and 0.04% (max) sulfur (S).</p>	



5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
<p>Heading 73.04 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers tubes, pipes and hollow profiles, seamless, of iron (other than cast iron) or steel. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that tubes and pipes are used, among others, for scaffolding, tubular structures or building construction. This heading also covers finned or gilled tubes or pipes and hollow profiles such as integrally finned or gilled tubes with longitudinal or transversal fins.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 7304.31.40, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 5% ad valorem; and Philippines-Japan Economic Partnership Agreement (PJEPA) and ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA) rates of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Forms “JP” or “AJ”, respectively.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p>	
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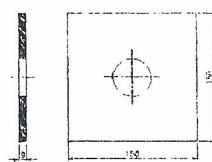
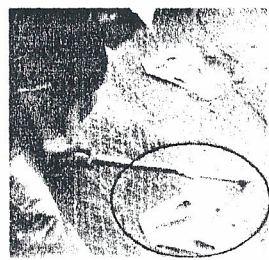
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4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD
<p style="text-align: center;">“STEEL BASE PLATE & NNS PLATE”</p> <p>Based on the brochure, technical specifications, structural drawing, and chemical composition submitted, subject articles are hot-dip zinc coated (HDZ55) steel plates conforming to Japan Industrial Standards (JIS) G3101 or G3444. The triangular STEEL BASE PLATE, with an approximate dimension of 680 mm x 680 mm x 95 mm, is to be fastened onto threaded rods by means of lock nuts. The square NNS PLATE, with a dimension of 150 mm x 150 mm x 9 mm, is pre-drilled with a hole in the center to accommodate the threaded rods. Both steel plates provide support to the stability of the anchoring rods of the “Soil Stabilization System (Nonframe® Method)”.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>NNS PLATE</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>STEEL BASE PLATE</p> </div> </div>	

5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
<p>Heading 73.26 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers other articles of iron or steel. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) state that this heading covers all iron or steel articles obtained by forging or punching, by cutting or stamping or by other processes such as folding, assembling, welding, turning, milling or perforating other than articles included in the preceding headings of this Chapter or covered by Note 1 to Section XV or included in Chapter 82 or 83 or more specifically covered elsewhere in the Nomenclature.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject articles are classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 7326.90.99, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 15% ad valorem, and Philippines-Japan Economic Partnership Agreement (PJEPA) and ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA) rates of duty of 3% ad valorem, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Forms “JP” and “AJ”, respectively.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p>	

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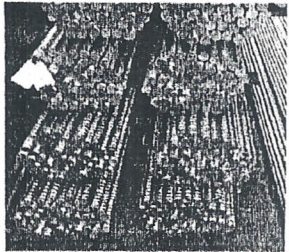

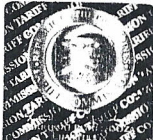




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4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD		
<p style="text-align: center;">“NNS STEEL BAR ROD”</p> <p>Based on the manufacturing process, product catalogue and technical drawing submitted, subject article is a hot-rolled, galvanized, 32 mm diameter deformed non-alloy steel rod with helical ribs, and with a length of 5 meters. Conforming to JIS (Japanese Industrial Standard) SD345, it is used, together with the NNS steel coupler and a spacer, to provide lateral stability for Soil Stabilization System (Nonframe® Method).</p> <div style="text-align: right;">  </div>			
5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION		
<p>Heading 72.15 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers other bars and rods of iron or non-alloy steel. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) state that this heading covers bars and rods other than those of heading 72.13 or 72.14. The bars and rods of this heading may have been subjected to working (such as drilling or sizing, or to further surface treatments than are allowed for products of heading 72.14, such as plating, coating, or cladding), provided that they do not thereby assume the character of articles or of products falling within other headings.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 7215.90.90, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 7% ad valorem and ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA) and Philippines-Japan Economic Partnership Agreement (PJEPA) rates of duty of 1% ad valorem, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Forms “AJ” and “JP”, respectively.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p>			
<p>FOR THE COMMISSION</p> <p></p> <p>MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson</p>			
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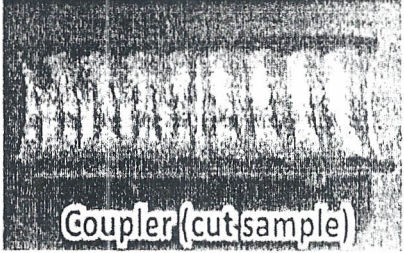


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4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD <p style="text-align: center;">“NNS STEEL COUPLERS”</p> <p>Based on the manufacturing process, product catalogue and technical drawing submitted, subject articles are casted couplers made of galvanized non alloy steel (JIS S45C). These have an inner diameter of 31.9 mm, an outer diameter of 48 mm, and a length of 195 mm. These have thread-like ribs and cylindrical or hexagonal cross section. Subject articles are used to connect NNS steel bar rods to provide lateral stability for soil stabilization system (Nonframe[®] Method).</p> <div style="text-align: right;">  <p>Coupler (cut sample)</p> </div>	
5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION <p>Heading 73.25 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers other cast articles of iron or steel. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that the heading covers all cast articles of iron or steel, not elsewhere specified or included.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject articles are classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 7325.99.90, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 15% ad valorem; and Philippines-Japan Economic Partnership Agreement (PJEPA) and ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA) rates of duty of 3% ad valorem, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Forms “JP” or “AJ”, respectively.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">FOR THE COMMISSION</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-end;"> <div data-bbox="362 1769 513 1916"> </div> <div data-bbox="566 1796 779 1909"> <p>17-00347</p> </div> <div data-bbox="932 1769 1307 1899" style="text-align: right;"> <p>MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson</p> </div> </div>	



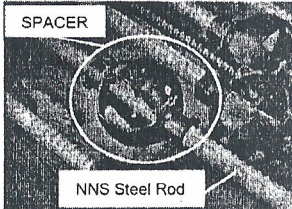
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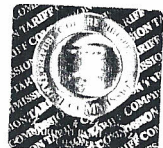

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4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD
	<p>“SPACER”</p> <p>Based on the material specification and chemical composition submitted, subject article is a uniquely-shaped high density polyethylene (HDPE) spacer. It is used as a component of the “Soil Stabilization System (Nonframe® Method)” wherein it is attached midway the NNS steel rod to provide sufficient friction between rod and grout.</p>
	

5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
	<p>Heading 39.26 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers other articles of plastics and articles of other materials of headings 39.01 to 39.14. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) state that it covers articles, not elsewhere specified or included, of plastics or of other materials of headings 39.01 to 39.14.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 3926.90.99B, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 15% ad valorem, and Philippines-Japan Economic Partnership Agreement (PJEPA) and ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA) rates of duty of 1% ad valorem, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Forms “JP” and “AJ”, respectively.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p>
	<p>FOR THE COMMISSION</p> <p><i>MariLou P. Miendoza</i></p> <p>MARILOU P. MIENDOZA Chairperson</p>
	  <p>Republic of the Philippines TARIFF COMMISSION 17-00322</p>



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4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD																										
	“SOIL STABILIZATION SYSTEM (NONFRAME® METHOD)”																										
	<p>Based on the brochure and technical information submitted, subject article is a slope reinforcement system consisting of steel bar rods, steel base plates, steel wire rope, steel wire mesh, polyester and polyethylene sheet, and accessories for the rods such as couplers, nuts, spacers, washers, and plates.</p> <p>One or more steel bar rods, together with couplers and spacers, are installed into pre-drilled holes on the ground and grouted into place to resist the unstable movement of the slope. The base plates are attached to the threaded rods and lock nuts to support the stability of the anchoring rod. The wire rope is set to supply tension onto the base plates and hold them in place. The mesh and sheet installed on the soil surface beneath the base plates prevent weathering, erosion, and small rock fall while allowing the infiltration of rain water onto the ground.</p> <p>The system's specifications are as follows:</p>																										
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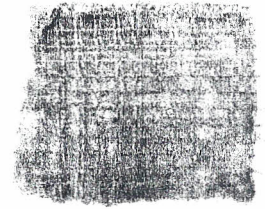
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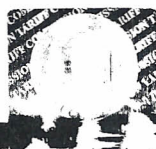
4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD
	“EROSION CONTROL MAT (SHEET)”
	<p>Based on the brochure, technical specifications, structural drawing, and manufacturing process flow diagram submitted, subject article is a nonwoven polyester sheet backed with polyethylene mesh having a basis weight of 93 g/m². The nonwoven sheet is produced by a series of processes including carding, forming, heating in a furnace, tension rolling, and winding. Imported in rolls of 1 m x 50 m, and weighing about six (6) kgs, it is installed on the soil surface together with the base plates to prevent weathering and erosion while allowing the penetration of rain water onto the ground. Subject article is a component of the Soil Stabilization System (Nonframe® Method).</p>



5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
	<p>Heading 56.03 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers nonwovens, whether or not impregnated, coated, covered or laminated. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that a nonwoven is a sheet or web of predominantly textile fibres oriented directionally or randomly and bonded. These fibres may be of natural or man-made origin. They may be staple fibres (natural or man-made) or man-made filaments or be formed in situ. Nonwovens can be produced in various ways and production can be conveniently divided into the three stages: web formation, bonding and finishing. Four basic methods exist for web formation, among others, by carding or air-laying fibres in order to form a sheet. These fibres may be parallel, cross or random oriented (dry-laid process).</p> <p>In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 5603.13.00, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 15% ad valorem, and Philippines-Japan Economic Partnership Agreement (PJEPA) and ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA) rates of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Forms “JP” and “AJ”, respectively.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p>

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4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

“BIOSTRONG® FORTE”

Based on the product catalog, product specifications, material safety data sheet, certificate of product registration from the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI), and sample submitted, subject article is a natural flavor enhancer feed additive consisting of aromatic mixture based on essential oils (anise and thyme), herbs, spices, fatty acids, and organic and inorganic carriers, in the form of white-brownish powder. Packed in 25 kg polyethylene (PE)/aluminium polycoated paper bags, subject article is given to poultry for the first 21 to 28 days of age at a rate of 750 grams per metric ton of complete feed to improve the natural aromatization and palatability of animal feed, particularly on the stimulation of biocatalytic and enzymatic digestion process.

5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 23.09 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers preparations of a kind used in animal feeding. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (ENs) state that this heading covers, among others, preparations for use in making the complete feeds or supplementary feeds. These preparations known in trade as “premixes”, are, generally speaking, compound compositions consisting of a number of substances (sometimes called additives) the nature and proportions of which vary according to the animal production required. These substances include, among others, those which improve digestion and, more generally, ensure that the animal makes good use of the feeds and safeguard its health: vitamins or provitamins, amino-acids, antibiotics, coccidiostats, trace elements, emulsifiers, flavourings and appetisers, etc.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 2309.90.20, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of zero.

This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.

FOR THE COMMISSION

MariLou P. Mendoza
MARILOU P. MENDOZA
Chairperson





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4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

“ZAMBAC ZN150”

Based on the product brochure, certificate of product registration from the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI), product formula summary, product label, and material safety data sheet submitted, subject article is an antibacterial/ anti-infective feed premix composed of zinc bacitracin as active ingredient, with corn starch and calcium carbonate as carriers. It is in the form of light brown granules and packed in 25 kg multilayered polyethylene bags. Mixed into the feed in various dosages, subject article is used for the prevention and treatment of necrotic enteritis in broilers and layers caused by *C. Perfringens*, for the alleviation of the effects of heat stress in broilers and layers, and for the control of swine dysentery caused by *Brachyspira hyodysenteriae*, among others.

5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

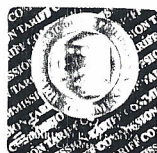
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In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 2309.90.20, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of zero and ASEAN-China Free Trade Area (ACFTA) rate of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Form “E”.

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4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

“ZAMBAC MD 100 (BACITRACIN METHYLENE DISALICYLATE)”

Based on the certificate of product registration from the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI), production catalog, product formula summary, and material safety data sheet submitted, subject article is an antibacterial light brown granule, consisting of bacitracin methylene disalicylate (BMD), corn starch and calcium carbonate. Subject article is a feed additive that contains 100 grams bacitracin methylene disalicylate per kilogram formulation. Packed in 25 kg foil lined polyethylene bags, it is indicated for the control of swine dysentery caused by *Brachyspira hyodysenteriae* and Clostridial Enteritis in suckling pigs caused by *C. perfringens*, and for the prevention and treatment of Necrotic Enteritis in broilers and layers caused by *C. perfringens* (Type A and C).


5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

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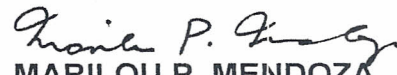
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