



MEMORANDUM

TO

ALL DISTRICT and SUB-PORT COLLECTORS

ALL CHIEFS, FORMAL ENTRY DIVISION AND FORMAL ENTRY DIVISION PERSONNEL

FROM

ATTY. EDWARD JAMES A. DY BUCO

Deputy Commissioner, AOCG

SUBJECT :

TARIFF COMMISSION CIRCULARS/ADVANCE RULINGS

(TCC/AR)

DATE

November 27, 2018

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863), the Tariff Commission issued Advance Rulings (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued 07 – 12 November 2018, for various imported articles, and the same were submitted and reviewed by the Office, summarized as follows:

TCC. NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2017 AHTN CODE	2018 RATES OF DUTY
18-386	"SCHAEFFLER INA BRAND CLUTCH RELEASE BEARING"	8482.10.00	MFN – Zero AIFTA – 1% (01 January - 30 December 2018)* Zero (31 December 2018)
18-611	"CYNPOL® LL0118H"	3901.40.00	MFN – 3% Ad Valorem
18-612	"CYNPOL® LLF822F"	3901.40.00	MFN – 3% Ad Valorem
18-613	"CYNPOL® LL0218H"	3901.40.00	MFN – 3% Ad Valorem

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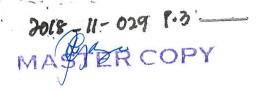


18-614	"CYNPOL® mLL0123A"	3901.40.00	MFN – 3% Ad Valorem
18-615	"EVOLUE™ SP1510"	3901.40.00	MFN – 3% Ad Valorem ATIGA – Zero*

*Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (CO).

For your information, guidance and strict compliance.

CC: COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS







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COMMISSIONER REY LEONARDO GUERRERO

Bureau of Customs Port Area, Manila

Dear Commissioner Guerrero:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863), this Commission is pleased to furnish your good Office with original copies of six (6) Advance Rulings on Tariff Classification, with TCC (AR) Nos. 18-386, 18-611, 18-612, 18-613, 18-614, and 18-615, issued by this Commission from 07-12 November 2018.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson

Encl: As stated

Cc: The Secretary

Department of Finance

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TARIFF COMMISSION ADVANCE RULING ON TARIFF CLASSIFICATION

Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

1 AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2018 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 8482.10.00

MFN - Zero

AIFTA – 1% (01 January-30 December 2018) Zero (31 December 2018)

2	TCC (AR) NO
	18-386
3	DATE ISSUE
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4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"SCHAEFFLER INA BRAND CLUTCH RELEASE BEARING"

Based on the brochure and sample submitted, subject article is a type of rotary bearing also known as thrust bearing. It is composed of bearing balls housed between the inner and outer rings and sealed by a sealing ring and a sealing shield. Subject article is to be installed as part of the clutch actuation system for passenger cars.



5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 84.82 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers ball or roller bearings. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading covers all ball, roller or needle roller type bearings. They are used in place of smooth metal bearings and enable friction to be considerably reduced. They are generally fitted between the bearing housing and the shaft or axle, and may be designed to give radial support (radial bearings) or to resist thrust (thrust bearings).

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 8482.10.00, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of zero and ASEAN-India Free Trade Area (AIFTA) rate of duty of 1% ad valorem from 01 January to 30 December 2018 and zero from 31 December 2018 onwards, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin Form "AI".

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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ADVANCE RULING ON TARIFF CLASSIFICATION

Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

1 AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2018 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 3901.40.00 MFN – 3% ad valorem

2	TCC (AR) NO.
	18-611
3	DATE ISSUED

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4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"CYNPOL® LL0118H"

Based on the product specifications, safety data sheet, and declaration of product composition submitted, subject article is a linear low density polyethylene (LLDPE) resin, containing by weight, less than 93% ethylene and 7-9% 1-butene, with slip and anti-block additives. It is in the form of translucent/white solid having a melt index of 1.0 g/10 minutes at 190°C and a density of 0.918 g/cm³. Packed in 25-kg bags, subject article is used in the manufacture of automatic packaging films, general-purpose blown films, and trash bags.

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Heading 39.01 of the AHTN 2017 covers polymers of ethylene, in primary forms.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 3901.40.00 with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 3% ad valorem.

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1 AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2018 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 3901.40.00 MFN – 3% ad valorem

2	TCC (AR) NO.
	18-612
3	DATE ISSUED
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DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"CYNPOL® LLF822F"

Based on the product specifications, safety data sheet, and declaration of product composition submitted, subject article is a linear low density polyethylene (LLDPE) resin, containing by weight, less than 93% ethylene and 7-9% 1-butene, with slip and anti-block additives. It is in the form of translucent/white solid having a melt index of 0.8 g/10 minutes at 190 °C and a density of 0.922 g/cm³. Packed in 25-kg bags, subject article is used in the manufacture of blown films and garment films.

5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

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AHTN 3901.40.00 MFN - 3% ad valorem

2	TCC (AR) NO.	
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AHTN 3901.40.00 MFN – 3% ad valorem

2	TCC (AR) NO.
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4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"CYNPOL® mLL0123A"

Based on the product specifications, safety data sheet, and declaration of product composition submitted, subject article is a metallocene linear low density polyethylene (LLDPE) resin, containing by weight, less than 93% ethylene and 7-9% 1-hexene, with anti-block additives. It is in the form of translucent/white solid having a melt index of 0.9 g/10 minutes at 190°C and a density of 0.923 g/cm³. Packed in 25-kg bags, subject article is used in the manufacture of heavy-duty packaging and industrial packaging.

5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

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1 AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2018 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 3901.40.00 MFN – 3% ad valorem ATIGA – Zero

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4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"EVOLUE™ SP1510"

Based on the product specifications, safety data sheet, and certificate of information for customs clearance submitted, subject article is a metallocene-catalyzed ethylene-alpha-olefin copolymer resin, containing by weight less than 95% ethylene and more than 5% alpha olefin (1-hexene). It is in the form of clear to white pellets having a melt flow rate of 1.0 g/10 minutes at 190°C and a density of 0.915 g/cm³. Packed in 25-kg bags, subject article is used in the manufacture of heavy-duty bags and as a strength and heat seal modifier.

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AHTN 3901.40.00 MFN – 3% ad valorem

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4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"CYNPOL® LLF822F"

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4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

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AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2018 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 3901.40.00 MFN – 3% ad valorem ATIGA – Zero

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