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FROM	:	ATTY. VENER S. BAQUIRAN Deputy Commissioner J Assessment and Operation's Coordinating Group
SUBJECT	:	TARIFF COMMISSION CIRCULARS/ADVANCE RULINGS (TCC/AR)
DATE	:	08 MAY 2025

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification related to Importation of Goods), the Tariff Commission furnished copies of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued on 06 May 2025 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC.	DESCRIPTION OF	2022 AHTN	2025 RATES OF
NO.	ARTICLES	CODE	DUTY
25-0305	"SABIC® PP 5706P"	3902.10.40	MFN – 10% ad valorem ATIGA – Zero* AANZFTA – 12% ad valorem* ACFTA – 5% ad valorem* AHKFTA – 10% ad valorem* AJFTA – 11.25% ad valorem* AJCEPA – 10% ad valorem* AKFTA – 12% ad valorem* RCEP – 10% ad valorem*

of their corresponding CERTIFICATES OF ORIGIN (COS).



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25-0326 CREAMY VANILLA FLAVOR)"	2025 RATES OF DUTY
	MFN – 7% ad valorem ATIGA – Zero* AANZFTA – Zero* ACFTA – Zero* AHKFTA – 6% ad valorem* AIFTA – 7% ad valorem* AJCEPA – Zero* AKFTA – Zero* RCEP – Zero*

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CC: COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS



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TARIFF COMMISSION

Ref. No. 25-054

06 May 2025

COMMISSIONER BIENVENIDO Y. RUBIO

Bureau of Customs G/F OCOM Building 16th Street, South Harbor Gate 3 Port Area, Manila

Dear Commissioner Rubio:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603(f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act No. 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification Related to Importation or Exportation of Goods), this Commission is pleased to furnish your good Office with PDF copies of two Advance Rulings on Tariff Classification, with TCC (AR) Nos. 25-0305 and 25-0326, issued by this Commission on 06 May 2025. These Advance Rulings have also been posted on the Commission's website *www.tariffcommission.gov.ph*.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson

- Encl: As stated
- cc: The Secretary Department of Finance Manila



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TARIFF COMMISSION

ADVANCE RULING ON TARIFF CLASSIFICATION

Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

1 AHTN 2022 CODE AND 20	25 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY	2	TCC (AR) NO.
			25-0305
AHTN 3902.10.40			DATE ISSUED
MFN - 10% ad valorem AANZFTA - 12% ad valorem AHKFTA - 10% ad valorem AJCEPA - 10% ad valorem RCEP - 10% ad valorem	ATIGA - Zero ACFTA - 5% ad valorem AIFTA - 11.25% ad valorem AKFTA - 12% ad valorem		06 May 2025

4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"SABIC® PP 5706P"

Based on the technical data sheet, safety data sheet, product regulatory guidance sheet, and photograph of the product submitted, subject article is a polypropylene homopolymer resin with additives and/or stabilizers. It is in the form of translucent, natural-coloured pellets with a melt flow rate of 12 g/10 minutes (tested at 230°C and 2.16 kg), and a density of 0.85 to 0.92 g/cm³. Packed in 25-kg bags, subject article is used to produce rigid injection-molded articles for general purpose applications, such as houseware articles, food containers, furniture, and toys.

5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Note 6 (b) to Chapter 39 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 states that in headings 39.01 to 39.14, the expression "primary forms" applies only to blocks of irregular shape, lumps, powders (including moulding powders), granules, flakes and similar bulk forms.

Heading 39.02 of the AHTN 2022 covers polymers of propylene or of other olefins, in primary forms. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading covers polymers of all olefins (i.e. acyclic hydrocarbons having one or more double bonds) except ethylene. The important polymers of this heading are polypropylene, polyisobutylene and propylene copolymers. The general physical properties of polypropylene are similar to those of high-density polyethylene. Polypropylene and propylene copolymers also have a very wide range of applications, for example, packaging film, moulded parts for automobiles, appliances, housewares, etc., wire and cable coating, food container closures, coated and laminated products, bottles, trays and containers for storing precision equipment, ducting, tank linings, piping for chemical plant, tufted carpet backing.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 3902.10.40, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 10% ad valorem and the following applicable rates of duty under the various Philippine free trade agreements (FTA), subject to submission of the corresponding proof of origin:





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Free Trade Agreement	Applicable Rates of Duty (%, ad valorem)	Proof of Origin
ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA)	0	Certificate of Origin (CO) Form D, Electronic Certificate of Origin (e-Form D), or Origin Declaration by Approved Exporter
ASEAN-Australia-New Zealand Free Trade Area (AANZFTA)	12	CO Form AANZ
ASEAN-China Free Trade Area (ACFTA)	5	CO Form E
ASEAN-Hong Kong, China Free Trade Agreement (AHKFTA)	10	CO Form AHK
ASEAN-India Free Trade Area (AIFTA)	11.25	CO Form AI
ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA)	10	CO Form AJ
ASEAN-Korea Free Trade Area (AKFTA)	12	CO Form AK
Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Agreement	10	CO Form RCEP or Declaration of Origin (DO) issued by an Approved Exporter

This ruling shall be valid for five 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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MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson

Note: In line with the Commission's objective to provide alternative mediums/channels of communication and to further enhance the accessibility of its frontline services to its stakeholders, this Advance Ruling is being issued in digital format, without a dry seal, barcode, and hologram, and is also uploaded in the Tariff Commission website. A hard copy thereof, accompanied by said dry seal, barcode, and hologram, may be issued upon request.

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1	AHIN 2022 CODE AND 202	25 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY	2	TCC (AR) NO.
				25-0326
	AHTN 2106.90.99		3	DATE ISSUED
	MFN - 7% ad valorem AANZFTA - Zero AHKFTA - 6% ad valorem AJCEPA - Zero RCEP - Zero	ATIGA - Zero ACFTA - Zero AIFTA - 7% ad valorem AKFTA - Zero		06 May 2025
4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD			
"ENTRASOL PLATINUM (ADULT NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENT POWDER - CREAMY VANILLA FLAVOR)"				

Based on the product specifications, product composition, production process flowchart, and photographs of the product submitted, subject article is a vanilla-flavoured adult nutritional supplement powdered drink in the form of a light-cream powder with a typical vanilla aroma and taste. It is composed of maltodextrin, whey protein concentrate, sucrose, and full cream milk powder, among others. Packed in 29-g sachets, in 200-g and 600-g aluminium foil bags in carton boxes, or in 800-g tin cans, subject article is to be dissolved in warm water prior to consumption, as a nutritional drink formulated for adults, to help support their daily nutritional needs.

5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 21.06 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 covers food preparations not elsewhere specified or included. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that provided that they are not covered by any other heading of the Nomenclature, this heading covers, among others, preparations for use, either directly or after processing (such as cooking, dissolving or boiling in water, milk, etc.), for human consumption.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 2106.90.99, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 7% ad valorem and the following applicable rates of duty under the various Philippine free trade agreements (FTA), subject to submission of the corresponding proof of origin:





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Free Trade Agreement	Applicable Rates of Duty (%, ad valorem)	Proof of Origin	
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ASEAN-Australia-New Zealand Free Trade Area (AANZFTA)	0	CO Form AANZ	
ASEAN-China Free Trade Area (ACFTA)	0	CO Form E	
ASEAN-Hong Kong, China Free Trade Agreement (AHKFTA)	6	CO Form AHK	
ÁSEAN-India Free Trade Area (AIFTA)	7	CO Form AI	
ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA)	0	CO Form AJ	
ASEAN-Korea Free Trade Area (AKFTA)	0	CO Form AK	
Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Agreement	0	CO Form RCEP or Declaration of Origin (DO) issued by an Approved Exporter	

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