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TO: { Directors Of Field Operations, Port Directors }

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RE: PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION IN THE DUMPING INVESTIGATION OF SULFANILIC ACID FROM HUNGARY (A-437-804)

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TO: DIRECTORS OF FIELD OPERATIONS  
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FROM: DIRECTOR, TRADE ENFORCEMENT & CONTROL

RE: PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION IN THE DUMPING INVESTIGATION OF SULFANILIC ACID FROM HUNGARY (A-437-804)

1. ON MAY 6, 2002, THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER ITS PRELIMINARY AFFIRMATIVE DETERMINATION IN THE ANTIDUMPING DUTY INVESTIGATION OF SULFANILIC ACID FROM HUNGARY (67 FR 30358).

2. IMPORTS COVERED BY THIS INVESTIGATION ARE ALL GRADES OF SULFANILIC ACID, WHICH INCLUDE TECHNICAL (OR CRUDE) SULFANILIC ACID, REFINED (OR PURIFIED) SULFANILIC ACID AND SODIUM SALT OF

## SULFANILIC ACID.

SULFANILIC ACID IS A SYNTHETIC ORGANIC CHEMICAL PRODUCED FROM THE DIRECT SULFONATION OF ANILINE AND SULFURIC ACID. SULFANILIC ACID IS USED AS A RAW MATERIAL IN THE PRODUCTION OF OPTICAL BRIGHTENERS, FOOD COLORS, SPECIALTY DYES AND CONCRETE ADDITIVES. THE PRINCIPAL DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE GRADES ARE THE UNDESIRABLE QUANTITIES OF RESIDUAL ANILINE AND ALKALI INSOLUBLE MATERIALS PRESENT IN THE SULFANILIC ACID. ALL GRADES ARE AVAILABLE AS DRY, FREE FLOWING POWDERS.

TECHNICAL SULFANILIC ACID, CLASSIFIABLE UNDER THE SUBHEADING 2921.42.22 OF HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE OF THE UNITED STATES ("HTSUS"), CONTAINS 96 PERCENT MINIMUM SULFANILIC ACID, 1.0 PERCENT MAXIMUM ANILINE, AND 1.0 PERCENT MAXIMUM ALKALI INSOLUBLE MATERIALS. REFINED SULFANILIC ACID, ALSO CLASSIFIABLE UNDER 2921.42.22 OF THE HTSUS, CONTAINS 98 PERCENT MINIMUM SULFANILIC ACID, 0.5 PERCENT MAXIMUM ANILINE AND 0.25 PERCENT MAXIMUM ALKALI INSOLUBLE MATERIALS.

SODIUM SALT (SODIUM SULFANILATE), CLASSIFIABLE UNDER HTSUS SUBHEADING 2921.42.90, IS A POWDER, GRANULAR OR CRYSTALLINE MATERIAL WHICH CONTAINS 75 PERCENT MINIMUM EQUIVALENT SULFANILIC ACID, 0.5 PERCENT MAXIMUM ANILINE BASED ON THE EQUIVALENT SULFANILIC ACID CONTENT, AND 0.25 PERCENT MAXIMUM ALKALI INSOLUBLE MATERIALS BASED ON THE EQUIVALENT SULFANILIC ACID CONTENT.

ALTHOUGH THE HTSUS SUBHEADINGS ARE PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND CUSTOMS PURPOSES, THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE SCOPE OF THIS INVESTIGATION IS DISPOSITIVE.

3 FOR FURTHER REPORTING PURPOSES THIS CASE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED INVESTIGATION NUMBER A-437-804.

4. FOR IMPORTS OF SULFANILIC ACID FROM HUNGARY, THE CUSTOMS SERVICE SHALL SUSPEND LIQUIDATION OF SUCH SHIPMENTS ENTERED OR

WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR AFTER MAY 6, 2002. EFFECTIVE MAY 6, 2002, CUSTOMS SHALL REQUIRE, FOR SUCH ENTRIES, A CASH DEPOSIT OR POSTING OF A BOND EQUAL TO THE RATES LISTED BELOW:

MANUFACTURER/ PRODUCER/EXPORTER	CUSTOMS ID NUMBER	MARGIN PERCENT
NITROKEMIA 2000 RT.	A-437-804-001	7.40
ALL OTHERS RATE	A-437-804-000	7.40

5. IN ACCORDANCE WITH T.D. 85-145, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CUSTOMS SERVICE, CUSTOMS OFFICERS MAY ACCEPT EITHER A SINGLE-ENTRY BASIC IMPORTATION AND ENTRY BOND OR A CONTINUOUS BASIC IMPORTATION AND ENTRY BOND ONLY IF THE AMOUNT OF THE ESTIMATED ANTIDUMPING DUTY IS LESS THAN FIVE PERCENT AD VALOREM (OR THE EQUIVALENT). OTHERWISE, WHERE THE IMPORTER HAS THE OPTION TO POST A BOND FOR ESTIMATED ANTIDUMPING DUITES, CUSTOMS OFFICERS MUST REQUIRE A SINGLE-ENTRY BASIC IMPORTATION AND ENTRY BOND PURSUANT TO T.D. 85-145. YOU ARE INSTRUCTED TO ADHERE TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF T.D. 85-145 WITH RESPECT TO THESE BONDING REQUIREMENTS.

6. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CUSTOMS OFFICERS, PLEASE CONTACT, VIA E-MAIL, THROUGH THE APPROPRIATE SUPERVISORY CHANNELS, OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCY LIAISON, USING THE ATTRIBUTE "HQ OAB." THE IMPORTING PUBLIC AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD CONTACT JARROD GOLDFEDER, OFFICE OF AD/CVD ENFORCEMENT, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, AT (202) 482-0189.

7. THERE ARE NO RESTRICTIONS ON THE RELEASE OF THIS INFORMATION.

PAUL SCHWARTZ

## Company Details

\*Party Indicator Value:

I = Importer, M = Manufacturer, E = Exporter, S = Sold To Party