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TO: { Directors Of Field Operations, Port Directors }

FROM: { Director AD/CVD & Revenue Policy & Programs }

RE: DUMPING ORDER ON SULFANILIC ACID FROM PORTUGAL (A-471-806)

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TO: DIRECTORS OF FIELD OPERATIONS
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FROM: DIRECTOR, SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT

RE: DUMPING ORDER ON SULFANILIC ACID FROM PORTUGAL
(A-471-806)

1. ON NOVEMBER 1, 2002, THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION NOTIFIED THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE OF ITS AFFIRMATIVE FINAL DETERMINATION IN THE ANTIDUMPING DUTY INVESTIGATION OF SULFANILIC ACID FROM PORTUGAL. ON NOVEMBER 8, 2002, THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER (67 FR 68100) ITS ANTIDUMPING DUTY ORDER IN THE INVESTIGATION OF SULFANILIC ACID FROM PORTUGAL.

2. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS ORDER, THE TERM "SULFANILIC ACID"

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

SODIUM SALT (SODIUM SULFANILATE), CURRENTLY CLASSIFIABLE UNDER THE HTS 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 HTS 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-471-806.

4. FOR IMPORTS OF SULFANILIC ACID FROM PORTUGAL, THE

CUSTOMS SERVICE SHALL CONTINUE TO SUSPEND LIQUIDATION OF SUCH SHIPMENTS ENTERED OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR AFTER MAY 6, 2002.

EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 8, 2002, CUSTOMS SHALL REQUIRE FOR ENTRIES A CASH DEPOSIT EQUAL TO THE MARGINS SHOWN BELOW:

MANUFACTURER/PRODUCER/ EXPORTER	CUSTOMS ID NUMBER	WEIGHTED-AVERAGE MARGIN PERCENTAGE
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QUIMIGAL-QUIMICAL DE PORTUGAL S.A.	A-471-806-001	74.14 PERCENT
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5. 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 S. ANTHONY GRASSO, OFFICE OF AD/CVD ENFORCEMENT, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, AT (202) 482-3853.

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

CATHY SAUCEDA.

Company Details

*Party Indicator Value:

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