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TO: { Directors Of Field Operations, Port Directors }

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

RE: PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION OF SALES AT LESS THAN FAIR VALUE PHTHALIC ANHYDRIDE FROM VENEZUELA (A-307-809)

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TO: REGIONAL DIRECTORS, COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS  
DISTRICT DIRECTORS, AREA AND PORT DIRECTORS

FROM: DIRECTOR, TRADE COMPLIANCE DIVISION

RE: PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION OF SALES AT LESS THAN FAIR VALUE  
PHTHALIC ANHYDRIDE FROM VENEZUELA (A-307-809)

THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER ON MAY 27, 1994 THE NOTICE OF THE PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION OF SALES AT LESS THAN FAIR VALUE IN THE ANTIDUMPING DUTY INVESTIGATION OF PHTHALIC ANHYDRIDE FROM VENEZUELA.

2. THE PRODUCT COVERED BY THIS INVESTIGATION IS PHTHALIC ANHYDRIDE, AN AROMATIC SYNTHETIC ORGANIC CHEMICAL USUALLY PRODUCED FROM A PRIMARY PETROCHEMICAL CALLED ORTHOXYLENE,

ALTHOUGH IT IS SOMETIMES PRODUCED FROM NAPHTHALENE. PHTHALIC ANHYDRIDE IS PREDOMINANTLY USED IN THE PRODUCTION OF PLASTICIZERS, UNSATURATED POLYESTER RESINS, AND ALKYD RESINS, WHICH IN TURN ARE GENERALLY USED TO PRODUCE PLASTICS AND PAINTS. THIS INVESTIGATION COVERS PHTHALIC ANHYDRIDE SOLD IN EITHER FLAKED OR MOLTEN FORM.

THE PHTHALIC ANHYDRIDE SUBJECT TO THIS INVESTIGATION IS CURRENTLY CLASSIFIABLE UNDER SUBHEADING 2917.35.00 OF THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE OF THE UNITED STATES (HTSUS). THE HTSUS SUBHEADING IS PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND CUSTOMS PURPOSES. THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE'S WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE SCOPE OF THIS INVESTIGATION IS DISPOSITIVE.

3. THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE HAS PRELIMINARILY DETERMINED THAT EXPORTS OF PHTHALIC ANHYDRIDE FROM VENEZUELA ARE BEING SOLD IN THE UNITED STATES AT LESS THAN FAIR VALUE. THEREFORE, FOR ALL EXPORTS OF PHTHALIC ANHYDRIDE FROM VENEZUELA, THE CUSTOMS SERVICE

SHALL SUSPEND LIQUIDATION OF SUCH MERCHANDISE THAT IS ENTERED OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR AFTER MAY 27, 1994, THE DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THE AFFIRMATIVE PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER AND SHALL REQUIRE A CASH DEPOSIT OR POSTING OF A BOND EQUAL TO THE APPROPRIATE ESTIMATED PRELIMINARY MARGIN PERCENTAGE LISTED BELOW:

MANUFACTURER/PRODUCER EXPORTER	IDENTIFICATION NUMBER	WEIGHTED-AVERAGE MARGIN PERCENTAGE
OXIDACIONES ORGANICAS,	A-307-809-001	3.03%
ALL OTHERS	A-307-809-000	3.03%

5. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CUSTOMS OFFICERS, PLEASE CONTACT VIA E-MAIL, THROUGH THE REGIONAL ANTIDUMPING/COUNTERVAILING DUTY COORDINATOR, TRADE COMPLIANCE DIVISION AD/CVD BRANCH, USING ATTRIBUTE "HQ OAB." THE IMPORTING PUBLIC AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD CONTACT KIMBERLY HARDIN, OFFICE OF ANTIDUMPING INVESTIGATIONS, IMPORT

ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S.  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AT (202) 482-0371.

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

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## Company Details

\*Party Indicator Value:

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