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TO: { Directors Of Field Operations, Port Directors }

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RE: INITIATION OF COUNTERVAILING DUTY INVESTIGATION OF CITRIC ACID AND CERTAIN CITRATE SALTS FROM CHINA (C-570-938)

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

RE: INITIATION OF COUNTERVAILING DUTY INVESTIGATION OF
CITRIC ACID AND CERTAIN CITRATE SALTS FROM CHINA
(C-570-938)

1. ON MAY 12, 2008, THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER ITS INITIATION OF THE COUNTERVAILING DUTY INVESTIGATION OF CITRIC ACID AND CERTAIN CITRATE SALTS FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA (73 FR 26960).

2. THE SCOPE OF THIS INVESTIGATION INCLUDES ALL GRADES AND GRANULATION SIZES OF CITRIC ACID, SODIUM CITRATE, AND POTASSIUM CITRATE IN THEIR UNBLENDED FORMS, WHETHER DRY OR IN SOLUTION, AND REGARDLESS OF PACKAGING TYPE. THE SCOPE ALSO INCLUDES

BLENDS OF CITRIC ACID, SODIUM CITRATE, AND POTASSIUM CITRATE; AS WELL AS BLENDS WITH OTHER INGREDIENTS, SUCH AS SUGAR, WHERE THE UNBLENDED FORM(S) OF CITRIC ACID, SODIUM CITRATE, AND POTASSIUM CITRATE CONSTITUTE 40 PERCENT OR MORE, BY WEIGHT, OF THE BLEND. THE SCOPE OF THIS INVESTIGATION ALSO INCLUDES ALL FORMS OF UNREFINED CALCIUM CITRATE, INCLUDING DICALCIUM CITRATE MONOHYDRATE, AND TRICALCIUM CITRATE TETRAHYDRATE, WHICH ARE INTERMEDIATE PRODUCTS IN THE PRODUCTION OF CITRIC ACID, SODIUM CITRATE, AND POTASSIUM CITRATE. THE SCOPE OF THIS INVESTIGATION INCLUDES THE HYDROUS AND ANHYDROUS FORMS OF CITRIC ACID, THE DIHYDRATE AND ANHYDROUS FORMS OF SODIUM CITRATE, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS CITRIC ACID SODIUM SALT, AND THE MONOHYDRATE AND MONOPOTASSIUM FORMS OF POTASSIUM CITRATE. SODIUM CITRATE ALSO INCLUDES BOTH TRISODIUM CITRATE AND MONOSODIUM CITRATE, WHICH ARE ALSO KNOWN AS CITRIC ACID TRISODIUM SALT AND CITRIC ACID MONOSODIUM SALT, RESPECTIVELY. CITRIC ACID AND SODIUM CITRATE ARE CLASSIFIABLE UNDER 2918.14.0000 AND 2918.15.1000 OF THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE OF THE UNITED STATES (HTSUS), RESPECTIVELY. POTASSIUM CITRATE

AND CALCIUM CITRATE ARE CLASSIFIABLE UNDER 2918.15.5000 OF THE HTSUS. BLENDS THAT INCLUDE CITRIC ACID, SODIUM CITRATE, AND POTASSIUM CITRATE ARE CLASSIFIABLE UNDER 3824.90.9290 OF THE HTSUS. ALTHOUGH THE HTSUS SUBHEADINGS ARE PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND CUSTOMS PURPOSES, THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE MERCHANDISE IS DISPOSITIVE.

3. FOR FURTHER REPORTING PURPOSES THIS CASE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED INVESTIGATION NUMBER C-570-938.

COUNTRY: CASE NUMBER

PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA (CVD) C-570-938

4. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CBP OFFICERS, THE IMPORTING PUBLIC OR INTERESTED PARTIES, PLEASE CONTACT DAVINA HASHMI OR RON TRENTHAM AT OFFICE OF AD/CVD OPERATIONS, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, AT (202) 4820984

OR (202) 4823577 RESPECTIVELY (GENERATED BY O1: SH).

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

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