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Determination of Customs Values of Frequency Inverters Under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969 (VALUATION RULING NO. 7/2016)

No. Misc/09/2015-VII

Dated: November 22, 2016

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969, Customs values of Frequency Inverters are determined as follows: -

- 2. **Background of the valuation issue:** Customs values of Frequency Inverters were determined under Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969, vide Valuation Ruling No.751/2015, dated 22-06-2015. The Valuation Ruling required revision in line with the prevailing prices in the international market. Therefore, this Directorate General initiated an exercise for determination of customs values of Frequency Inverters.
- 3 **Stakeholders' participation in determination of Customs values:** Meetings with stakeholders were held on 16-08-2016 and 01-09-2016. Importers had been requested to furnish the following documents before or during the course of meeting:
 - A. Invoices of imports during last three months showing factual value.
 - B. Websites, names and E-mail addresses of known foreign manufacturers of the item in question through which the actual current value can be ascertained.
 - C. Copies of Contracts made / LCs opened during the last three months showing the value of item in question.
 - D. Copies of Sales Tax Invoices issued during last four months showing the difference in price (excluding duty and taxes) to substantiate that the benefit of difference in price is passed on to the local buyers.

The meeting was attended by the importers and the officers from field formations. Import invoices, sales tax invoices, literature, representative samples, evidences and other relevant requisite import documents were not submitted in this Directorate General on or even after the said scheduled meetings in support of the contentions of the importers.

- 4. During the meeting importers were of the view that the values of Frequency Inverters have considerably reduced in the international market as compared to the values determined in the existing valuation Ruling. Importers requested that market inquiry shall be conducted from the local market. The market inquiry of different brands, KW and specifications was conducted from different markets in Karachi. During the market survey, it was observed that there are insignificant differences in values on account of brand names but prices vary significantly depending on country of manufacture.
- 5. **Method adopted to determine Customs values:** Valuation methods given in Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 were followed to arrive at customs values of Frequency Inverters. Transaction value method provided in Section 25 (1) was found inapplicable owing to wide variation in the values being declared to the customs. Identical / similar goods value methods provided in Section 25 (5) & (6) were examined for applicability to the valuation issue in the instant case which provided some reference values of the subject goods but the same could not be exclusively relied upon due to wide variation in declared values of subject goods. Thereafter, market enquiry as envisaged under section 25(7) of the Customs Act, 1969, was conducted. For the purpose, different markets were surveyed repeatedly. The computed value method as provided as Section 25(8) of the Customs Act, 1969, could not be applied as the conversion costs from constituent material at the country of export were not available. Online values of subject goods were also obtained. All the information so gathered was evaluated and analyzed for the purpose of

determination of customs values. Consequently, the Customs values of Frequency Inverters have been determined under Section 25(9) of the Customs Act, 1969.

6. **Customs values for Frequency Inverters:** Frequency Inverters specified *hereinafter* specified *shall* be assessed to duty/taxes at the following Customs Values: -

S. No.	Description	PCTs	Proposed PCTs for WeBOC	Origin	Customs values US\$ (C&F)/KW
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	Frequency Inverters below 1KW without battery	- 8504.4090	8504.4090.1000	China	48
2			8504.4090.1100	Far East	57
3			8504.4090.1200	Japan	77
4			8504.4090.1300	Other Origins	80
5	Frequency Inverters above 1KW without battery		8504.4090.1400	China	43
6			8504.4090.1500	Far East	52
7			8504.4090.1600	Japan	69
8			8504.4090.1700	Other Origins	72

- 7. In cases where declared/transaction values are higher than the Customs values determined in this Ruling, the assessing officers shall apply those values in terms of Sub-Section (1) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969. In case of consignments imported by air, the assessing officer shall take into account the element of air freight while assessing the goods.
- 8. **Validity of this Valuation Ruling:** The values determined vide this Ruling shall be the applicable Customs value for assessment of subject imported goods until and unless it is rescinded or revised by the competent authority in terms of Sub-Sections (1) or (3) of Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969.
- 9. **Revision of the value determined vide this Valuation Ruling:** A revision petition may be filed against this Ruling, as provided under Section 25-D of the Customs Act, 1969, within 30 days from the date of issue of this ruling, before the Director General, Directorate General of Customs Valuation, 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
- 10. The Collectors of Customs may kindly ensure that the values given in this Valuation Ruling for the given description of goods are applied by the concerned staff without fail. Any anomaly observed may kindly be brought to the notice of this Directorate General immediately. Customs values determined in the ruling are for the description and specification as mentioned in this Valuation Ruling. HS Codes are mentioned for illustrative purposes so that valuation ruling values are made accessible to the assessing officers. The assessment shall be finalized on the basis of correct classification after fulfilling requisite formalities related to importability or any other certification required thereon. In addition to this, it is further necessary to verify that there is no mis-declaration of any sort or violation of Import Policy Order or Section 15 of the Customs Act, 1969 or any other law in vogue therein.

11. This ruling supersedes Valuation Ruling No.751/2015 dated 22-06-2015.

Director

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