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The International Trade Administration Commission of South Africa herewith presents its Report No. 330: SUNSET REVIEW OF THE ANTI-DUMPING DUTIES ON ACETAMINOPHENOL ORIGINATING IN OR IMPORTED FROM FRANCE

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in or imported from France

1. In accordance with the provisions of Article 11.3 of the World Trade Organisation Agreement on the Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, any definitive anti-dumping duty shall be terminated on a date not later than five years from the date of imposition, unless the authorities determine, in a review initiated before that date on their own initiative or upon a duly substantiated request made by or on behalf of the domestic industry within a reasonable period of time prior to that date, that the expiry of the duty would likely lead to the continuation or recurrence of dumping and injury.

2. On 26 June 2009, the International Trade Administration Commission of South Africa (the Commission) notified the interested parties through Notice No. 902 of 2009 in Government Gazette No. 32333, that unless a substantiated request is made indicating that the expiry of the anti-dumping duties against imports of acetaminophenol imported from France would likely lead to the continuation or recurrence of dumping and injury, the anti-dumping duties on acetaminophenol originating in or imported from France would expire on 14 July 2010.

3. The SACU manufacturer of acetaminophenol was informed in writing and provided with a copy of the notice. The SACU manufacturer was requested to indicate by 31 July 2009 whether it would require the
Commission to review the existing duties prior to the date of expiry.

4. On 29 June 2009, a request was received from Fine Chemicals Corporation (Pty) Ltd to review the anti-dumping duties on acetaminophenol originating in or imported from France.

5. The due date for the submission of the substantiated information was 14 January 2010. However, on 21 December 2009, Fine Chemicals informed the Commission that the sole producer in France closed down their production facility and that it would therefore not submit information to indicate that the expiry of the duty is likely to lead to the continuation or recurrence of dumping of acetaminophenol originating in or imported from France.

RECOMMENDATION

In the light of the foregoing, and as acetaminophenol is no longer manufactured in France, the Commission decided to recommend to the Minister of Trade and Industry that the anti-dumping duties on acetaminophenol originating in or imported from France be terminated on the five year expiry date of the duties, that is 14 July 2010.