Announcement of Final Determination on the Expiry Review Concerning Anti-Dumping Measures against the Imports of Potato Starch Originating in the EU

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On 5 February 2007, the Ministry of Commerce published the Announcement No. 8 of 2007, and decided to impose anti-dumping measures on the imports of potato starch originating in the EU for 5 years. On 18 April 2011, the Ministry of Commerce published the Announcement No.16 of 2011 and decided to adjust the anti-dumping tariff rates to 12.6%-56.7%. On 5 February 2013, the Ministry of Commerce published the Announcement No. 4 of 2013 and decided to continue the anti-dumping measures on the import of potato starch originating in the EU for 5 years. On 14 December 2016, the Ministry of Commerce published the Announcement No. 72 of 2016 and decided that Coöperatie Avebe U.A. will inherit the tariff rates in the applicable anti-dumping and anti-subsidy measures against potato starch from AVEBE U.A. On 1 February 2019, the Ministry of Commerce published the Announcement No. 4 of 2019, and decided to continue the anti-dumping measures on the imports of potato starch originating in the EU for 5 years as of 6 February 2019. On 8 March 2021, the Ministry of Commerce published the Announcement No. 4 of 2021, and decided that Coöperatie Koninklijke Avebe U.A. will inherit the tariff rates in the applicable anti-dumping and anti-subsidy measures against potato starch from Coöperatie Avebe U.A.

In accordance with the Ministry of Commerce Announcement No. 3 of 2021, after the end of the Brexit transition period on 31 December 2020, the trade remedy measures implemented against the EU would continue to apply to the EU and the UK, and the implementation period will remain unchanged. For the trade remedy investigations and reviews initiated after this date, UK would no longer be treated as an EU member state.

On 5 February 2024, upon the requests by China's potato starch industry, the Ministry of Commerce published the Announcement No. 4 of 2024, and decided to carry out an investigation on expiry review of anti-dumping measures against the imports of potato starch originating from the EU from 6 February 2024. The applicant did not request for expiry review on the anti-dumping measures against the imports of potato starch originating from the UK. Therefore, the anti-dumping measures against the imports of potato starch originating from the UK terminate as of 6 February 2024.

The Ministry of Commerce made an investigation to the possibilities of continuation and recurrence of dumping of the imports of potato starch originating from the EU, and the possibilities of continuation and recurrence of injury against China's potato starch industry, and made final determination (see annex) in compliance with provisions of Article 48 of Anti-Dumping Regulations of the People's Republic of China (hereafter referred to as Anti-Dumping Regulations). Details are as follows.

1 Determination of the Review

The Ministry of Commerce determines that, if the anti-dumping measures are terminated, the dumping from imports of potato starch originating in the EU would continue or happen again, and the injury to China's potato starch industry would continue or happen again.

2 Anti-dumping measures

In accordance with the provisions of Article 50 of *Anti-Dumping Regulations*, the Ministry of Commerce suggested the Customs Tariff Committee of the State Council continue to impose anti-dumping measures according to the investigation results. According to the suggestions of Ministry of Commerce, the Customs Tariff Committee of the State Council decided to continue the anti-dumping tariffs against the imports of potato starch originating from the EU for 5 years from 6 February 2025.

The scope of products subject to the anti-dumping measures is the same with that applicable to the original anti-dumping measures, in consistent to the scope of products in the Ministry of Commerce Announcement No. 8 of 2007, Announcement No. 16 of 2011, Announcement No. 4 of 2013, Announcement No. 72 of 2016, Announcement No. 4 of 2019, and Announcement No. 4 of 2021. Details are as follows:

Name of the product under investigation: potato starch.

Detailed description of the product under investigation: Potato starch is a white powder composed of multiple glucose molecules processed from potatoes. Its physical and chemical indicators are: whiteness (457nm blue light reflectance) \geq 90%, moisture content \leq 20%, viscosity (4% concentration, 700cmg) \geq 1100BU, protein (content in dry matter) \leq 0.15%.

Main uses: Potato starch is mainly used in the food industry in China. It is an important raw material for the production of emulsifiers, thickeners, stabilizers, puffing agents, excipients, etc. It is widely used in puffed foods, convenience foods, sausages, hams, etc. Meat products, frozen foods, sauces, purees, soups, beverages, sauces, cooking, sugar making, aquatic product processing and other industries.

The HS code of the product listed in the *Customs Import and Export Tariff of the People's Republic of China* are: 11081300.

Anti-dumping tariff rates are the same with the provisions in the Ministry of Commerce Announcement No. 8 of 2007, Announcement No. 16 of 2011, Announcement No. 4 of 2013, Announcement No. 72 of 2016, Announcement No. 4 of 2019, and Announcement No. 4 of 2021. The anti-dumping tariff rates on EU companies are as follows:

1.	Coöperatie Koninklijke Avebe U.A.	12.6%
2.	Avebe Kartoffelstärkefabrik Prignitz/Wendland GmbH	12.6%
3.	ROQUETTE FRERES	56.7%
4.	Other EU companies	56.7%

3 Collection of anti-dumping measure

As of 6 February 2025, importers who import potato starch originating from the EU should pay applicable anti-dumping duties to the Customs of the People's Republic of China. Anti-Disclaimer: This translation by the EU Delegation is provided as a working tool, and is provided "as is." No warranty of any kind, either expressed or implied, is made as to the accuracy, correctness, or reliability of any translations. Only the original official version should prevail as a source of reference.

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dumping duties shall be assessed ad valorem, with the taxable value being the price CIF on the basis of the transaction price examined and ratified by the Customs; the formula for imposition is: level of anti-dumping duty= customs dutiable value x rate of anti-dumping duty. Sectoral import VAT shall be assessed ad valorem, with the taxable value being the price CIF which is on the basis of the transaction price examined and ratified by the Customs, plus duties and anti-dumping duties.

4 Administrative review and administrative litigation

In accordance with the provisions of Article 52 of the *Anti-Dumping Regulations*, those who do not accept the final determination of the expiry review may lawfully apply for administrative review, and may also lawfully lodge a case with the People's Court.

5. This Announcement will be implemented from 6 February 2025.

Annex: Final determination of the Ministry of Commerce on the expiry review concerning anti-dumping measures against the imports of potato starch originating in the EU

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