

Executive Summary of the *ex officio* file concerning the possible circumvention of anti-dumping measures imposed by Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1343/2013 on imports of peroxosulphates (persulphates) originating in the People's Republic of China, and making such imports subject to registration.

This document summarises the decision of the Commission, pursuant to Articles 13(3) and 14(5) the basic Regulation, to investigate on its own initiative the possible circumvention of the anti-dumping measures imposed on imports of peroxosulphates (persulphates) originating in the People's Republic of China and to make such imports subject to registration.

The product concerned by the possible circumvention is peroxosulphates (persulphates), including potassium peroxydisulphate sulphate, currently falling under CN codes 2833 40 00 and ex 2842 90 80 (TARIC 2842 90 80 20), and originating in the People's Republic of China ('the product concerned').

Uses of the product concerned: persulphates are used mainly as polymerisation initiators in the production of polymers for a wide variety of applications. Another significant area of use is surface preparation, notably as an etching agent in the preparation of printed circuit boards. The strong oxidising properties of persulphates are used in a wide variety of industries and applications including cosmetics (hair bleaching and denture cleaning), textiles desizing, pulp and paper production, swimming pool disinfectants, organic synthesis, and soil remediation.

One of the exporting producers, ABC Chemicals Co. Ltd Shanghai ('ABC'), is subject to a 0 % duty. Import statistics show a change in the pattern of trade following the imposition of the definitive anti-dumping duty on the product concerned, in particular that Chinese imports are now mainly entering the Union via ABC. However, evidence in possession of the Commission shows that ABC is no longer producing the product concerned. There seems to be no due cause or economic justification for this channelling of exports other than the existing 0 % duty for ABC.

List of known parties to the investigation without contact details

Union producers:

- RheinPerChemie
- United Initiators GmbH

The Chinese Producers:

- Fujian Hongguan Chemical Industry Co., Ltd.
- Fujian Zhanhua Chemical Co., Ltd.
- Hebei Jiheng Group Co., Ltd. • Hengshui Jiamu Chemical Co., Ltd.
- Shaanxi Baohua Technologies Co., Ltd.
- Stars Chemical (YongAn) Co., Ltd.
- Tongling Huaxing Fine Chemical Co., Ltd.
- United Initiators (Shanghai) Co., Ltd.
- Yatai Electrochemistry Co., Ltd.
- Yunfu Yinli Chemical Co., Ltd.
- Hangzhou Shengfeng Import and Export Co., Ltd.

- Shanghai Charme Trading Co., Ltd.
- Shenzhen Chuangfu Feixiang Trade Co., Ltd.
- Siancity Xiamen Co., Ltd.
- TCC New Energy and Machinery Company Co., Ltd.
- Xiamen Xinyuanchang Import and Export Co., Ltd.

Traders outside China and the Union who are believed to trade in Chinese produced persulphates include the following:

- First Quality, Mexico
- Rudnik Quimica, Brazil
- Amplex Chemicals, Canada
- ZIMI Chemicals, Taiwan
- Megachem, Singapore
- Reda Industrial Materials, United Arab Emirates.

The parties in the Union believed to have imported the product are the following:

- Amik Italia S.p.A, Italy
- Ormezzano Sai, Italy