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**File No.22/2024-Opinion**

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Attn.: Mr. Mahesh .G , Senior Manager – CHA <mahesh@cacplglobal.com>

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**Sub.: Anti-Dumping Duty on Stainless-Steel Seamless Tubes.**

Dear Mahesh,

1. In connection with the above, find attached the following.

(a) Opinion.

(b) Our Bill towards professional charges.

2. Should you require any further clarification in this regard, please feel free to contact me. Kindly arrange for payment of the attached bill.

Regards,

**S. Murugappan**

Attached: as above.

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**OPINION**

**1. QUERIST:**

M/s. Chakradhara Aerospace and Cargo Pvt. Ltd., Chennai on behalf of M/s. Lakshmi Precision Technologies Limited, Coimbatore.

**2. FACTS:**

 A consignment of Seamless Stainless-Steel Tubes has been imported by Lakshmi Precision Technologies Limited. In terms of Notification No.31/2022-Customs (ADD) dated 20.12.2022, anti-dumping duty on stainless-steel seamless tubes and pipes originating in or exported from People’s Republic of China has been imposed.

**3. QUERY:**

 Querist would like to know whether anti-dumping duty will be attracted for the consignment under reference. In this connection, supplier’s commercial invoice, material certificate as well as a copy of the Anti-dumping Notification have been made available by the querist.

**4. OPINION:**

4.1 Notification 31/2022 referred to above provides for levy of anti-dumping duty on stainless-steel seamless tubes and pipes falling under chapter 7304 of the First Schedule to the Customs Tariff Act 1975. The table attached to the above notification covers various combinations of origin, country of export and producer. Further, the scope for the stainless-steel seamless tubes and pipes referred to in the table is indicated below the table as mentioned below.

“*Stainless-Steel Seamless Tubes and Pipes with diameter up to and including 6 NPS, or comparable thereof in other unit of measurement, whether manufactured using hot extrusion process or hot piercing process and whether sold as hot finished or cold finished pipes and tubes, including subject goods imported in the form of defectives, non-prime or secondary grades.*”

4.2 NPS is an abbreviation of Nominal Pipe Size, which is a term used as a guideline number defining the diameter of the pipe. Nominal pipe size refers to only the outside diameter (OD) of a pipe making it somewhat vague. For example, when we say pipe size is 2 NPS, it refers to all the pipes having 2.375-inch (or 60.3 mm) as outside diameter irrespective of wall thickness and inside diameter (ID).

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4.3 From the explanation given below the table, it is noticed that seamless tubes and pipes made of stainless-steel with a diameter up to and including 6 NPS (i.e. slightly above 6 inches or OD 168.2 mm), are covered by the notification. The outer diameter for the tubes imported as per the documents made available are 10 millimetres for one category of seamless stainless-steel tube and 27 millimetres in respect of another category of tubes.

4.4 Thus, the diameter specified in the material certificate will be within the equivalent dimension of 6 NPS.

4.5 Under such circumstances, anti-dumping duty will be attracted for these goods against Sl.No.10 of the table attached to Notification 31/2022 referred to above.

**S. MURUGAPPAN**

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