

MEDIA RELEASE

FINAL DETERMINATION ON THE ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW (SUNSET REVIEW) INVESTIGATION FOR THE ANTI-DUMPING MEASURE IMPOSED ON IMPORTS OF CELLULOSE FIBRE REINFORCED CEMENT FLAT AND PATTERN SHEETS ORIGINATING OR EXPORTED FROM THE KINGDOM OF THAILAND

On 29 March 2019, The Government of Malaysia initiated an administrative review (sunset review) investigation for the anti-dumping measure imposed on imports of cellulose fibre reinforced cement flat and pattern sheets (FCB), originating or exported from The Kingdom of Thailand (Thailand). The investigation was based on the petition filed by Hume Cemboard Industries Sdn. Bhd. (HCI) on behalf of the domestic industry producing FCB. The domestic industry alleged that imports of FCB from Thailand are being imported into Malaysia at a price lower than the selling price in their domestic market and this continues to cause material injury to the domestic industry producing the like product despite the anti-dumping measure imposed.

Based on subsection 28(8) of the Countervailing and Anti-dumping Duties Act, 1993 (the Act), the Government has carried out an administrative review (sunset review) investigation to determine whether:

- (a) the continued imposition of anti-dumping duties are necessary to offset dumping; or/and
- (b) the injury would be likely to continue to recur if the duty were removed or varied.

The Government has completed a detailed investigation on producers and importers in Malaysia, as well as producers / exporters from Thailand in accordance with the Act. The Government has decided to continue the imposition of anti-dumping duties on imports of FCB from Thailand as follows:

<u>Foreign producers / exporters from Thailand</u>	<u>Anti-Dumping Duties</u>
i. Conwood Co., Ltd.	NIL
ii. Shera Public Company Limited	19.74%
iii. The Siam Fibre-Cement Co., Ltd.	9.15%
iv. Other producers / exporters	31.14%

The Royal Malaysia Customs Department will enforce the collection of anti-dumping duties and this measure will be effective for a period of 5 years, beginning from 24 September 2019 – 23

September 2024. With the continuation of imposition of anti-dumping duties on imports of FCB from Thailand, it is expected that the issue of unfair trade practices would be addressed.

Interested parties such as local producers and importers, as well as foreign producers / exporters and associations related to the investigation can have access to the non-confidential version of the public report on the final determination by submitting a written request to the Ministry of International Trade and Industry as follows:

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Ministry of International Trade and Industry
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
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