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## Introduction

In compliance with the basic objectives of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf, and in conformity with the objectives of the GCC Unified Economic Convention seeking to achieve economic integration among GCC member states, and aware of the crucial role played by GCC industries in the economies of the GCC member states, it becomes vital for the member states to take necessary measures against dumping, subsidy and increase of imports, which cause injury, threat of injury, or retardation to GCC industries.

Pursuant to Article 86 of the Rules of Implementation of the GCC Common Law on Antidumping, Countervailing Measures and Safeguard Measures which states, "The Technical Secretariat issues an Official Gazette where it publishes all publications required under this Common Law and its Rules of Implementation". Hereby, GCC-Bureau of Technical Secretariat for Anti Injurious Practices in International Trade pleased to publish the Notice Volume No (40) of the Official Gazette of GCC- Bureau of Technical Secretariat for Anti-Injurious Practices in International Trade.



## **The Secretariat General of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf (GCC)**

### **GCC- Bureau of Technical Secretariat for Anti Injurious Practices in International Trade**

**The continuation of imposing the definitive anti-dumping duties against GCC imports of electric lead-acid accumulators of capacity from 35 up to 115 amperes, whether or not rectangular (including square) of a kind used for starting piston engine (Automotive Batteries) originating in or exported from the Republic of Korea**

In conformity with the GCC Common Law on Anti-Dumping, Countervailing and Safeguard Measures and its Rules of Implementation (the GCC Common Law), and upon the decision no. (44/ADR1/2022) of the Permanent Committee of Anti Injurious practices in the International Trade (Permanent Committee), regarding accepting the sunset review request made by the GCC industry to initiate anti-dumping sunset review investigation against Electric lead-acid accumulators of capacity from 35 up to 115 Amperes, whether or not rectangular (including square) of a kind used for starting piston engine originating in or exported from the Republic of Korea and based on the Permanent Committee's decision No. (50/ADR1/2023) proposing the continuation of imposing the definitive anti-dumping duties against the GCC imports of the product under review from the concerned country according to the provisions of Paragraph (3) from the article (48) of the Rules of Implementation of the GCC Common Law, and referring to the Ministerial Committee's approval on the Permanent Committee's decision No. (50/ADR1/2023) pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph (1) from the Article (8) of the GCC Common Law, The GCC Bureau of Technical Secretariat for Anti-injurious Practices in International Trade (GCC-TSAIP) hereby announces the continuation



of imposing the definitive anti-dumping duties against the GCC imports of the product under review originating in or exported from the Republic of Korea according to the following:

### **1. Product subject to ~~the~~ definitive duties**

Electric lead-acid accumulators of **capacity** from 35 up to 115 amperes, whether or not rectangular (including square) of a kind used for starting piston engine (Automotive Batteries), the product under review is classified under GCC-Unified Tariff Code (85071000) excluding from the duties EFB and AGM batteries.

### **2. Duration of ~~the~~ definitive duties:**

The definitive antidumping duties shall be extended for a period not exceeding 5 years starting from the date of **expiring** the original 5 years according to the Official Gazette volume (10).

### **3. Form of ~~the~~ definitive duties:**

The definitive anti-dumping duties shall take ~~the~~ form of the current ad valorem duties according to the Official Gazette volume (10) as percentages of the CIF value according to the following table:



Country	Exporters/Producers names <sup>1</sup>	Dumping margin as a percentage of the CIF value
Republic of Korea	Hankook & Company Co., Ltd <sup>2</sup>	21%
	SEBANG GLOBAL BATTERY CO.,LTD <sup>3</sup>	19%
	Hyundai Sungwoo Solite Co.,LTD <sup>4</sup>	12%
	DN AUTOMOTIVE CORPORATION <sup>5</sup>	25%
	All other Producers/Exporters from Korea	25%

#### 4. The final determinations to continue imposing ~~the~~ definitive duties:

##### 4.1 likelihood of ~~a~~ continuation or recurrence of dumping:

It was found during the ~~period of review investigation~~ that the imports of the product subject to the definitive duties originating in or exported from the Republic of Korea are still being imported to the GCC market at dumped prices. It was also found that dumping would ~~be~~ likely to continue or recur if the duties were removed.

##### 4.2 Likelihood of a continuation or recurrence of injury:

- It was found that, given the attractiveness of the GCC market and the large production capacity of Korean producers, the imports of the product under review from the Republic of Korea would be likely increased at dumped prices if the final anti-dumping duties were removed, which will cause the continuation or recurrence of price undercutting or depressing prices or preventing price increases of GCC industry selling prices.
- It was found that the possibility of low-priced imports from the Republic of Korea to GCC market in case the final anti-dumping duties were removed, the GCC

<sup>1</sup> It is possible that the companies uses some abbreviations in the company name such as mentioned in the table: LTD: Limited

<sup>2</sup> The company changed its name from Atlas BX (as shown in Official Gazette volume (10)10) to Hankook Atlas BX (Official Gazette volume (10) then it became HANKOOK & COMPANY CO., LTD.

<sup>3</sup> LTD abbreviation was added to the company name according to the Official Gazette volume (10)

<sup>4</sup> LTD abbreviation was added to the company name according to the Official Gazette volume (10)

<sup>5</sup> The company changed its name from Dong Ah Tire & Rubber Co., Ltd (as shown in Official Gazette volume (10) to DN AUTOMOTIVE CORPORATION



industry will be forced to reduce **the selling** prices in order to maintain market share in the GCC market which will negatively affect the economic and financial indicators and it will lead to a continuation of recurrence of material injury to the GCC industry.

- It was also found **the** possibility of increasing the market share of Korean imports to takeover **larger share of GCC market at the contrary** of the market shares of the GCC industry and imports originating in or exported from Republic of India and Republic of Turkey as result of imposing definitive antidumping measures against batteries originating in or exported from Republic of India and Republic of Turkey which entered into force on 01 October 2022.
- Therefore, it was found that injury from imports originating in or exported from the Republic of Korea would be likely to continue or recur if the final anti-dumping duties were removed.

In conclusion, it is finally determined that there is sufficient evidence according to paragraph (3-b) of Article (48) of the Rules of Implementation of the GCC Common Law that dumping and injury from imports originating in or exported from the Republic of Korea would be likely to continue or recur if ~~the~~ duties were removed.

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