



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
TARIFF COMMISSION

**IN THE MATTER OF THE FORMAL
INVESTIGATION ON THE IMPOSITION
OF SAFEGUARD MEASURE AGAINST
IMPORTATIONS OF HIGH-DENSITY
POLYETHYLENE (HDPE) PELLETS
AND GRANULES FROM VARIOUS
COUNTRIES**

(AHTN 2017 Heading 3901.20.00)

**FOR: SAFEGUARD MEASURE
TCI (SG) No. SG-2021-OC-HDPE**

NOTICE OF FORMAL INVESTIGATION AND PRELIMINARY CONFERENCE

Pursuant to Section 9 of Republic Act (RA) No. 8800 (*Safeguard Measures Act*), notice is hereby given that the Tariff Commission (TC) commenced on 30 September 2021 its Formal Investigation on the merits of imposing a definitive safeguard duty against importations of High-Density Polyethylene (HDPE) Pellets and Granules from various countries, following receipt of a request from the Secretary of Trade and Industry and the complete case records.

All interested parties, including those on record in the preliminary investigation by the Department of Trade and Industry, are required to appear at a Preliminary Conference which will be held on 07 October 2021 at 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (via Videoconferencing through Microsoft Teams). Matters for discussion include the timelines, nature of investigation, appearance of counsel and parties, number of witnesses, notification, accessibility of documents and public file, confidentiality of documents, submission of position paper/s and memoranda, adjustment plan, conduct of inspection and verification of data, schedules of public hearings and other activities, and other topics that may aid in the prompt disposition of the case.

Interested parties are required to register their participation to the preliminary conference from 01 October 2021 using the registration link posted on the Commission's website <http://tariffcommission.gov.ph/>. For inquiries, please contact Acting Director Elvira C. Ignacio, Head of the TC Task Force for this case, at email address TC.Assist@mail.tariffcommission.gov.ph.

Issued this 30th day of September 2021, at Quezon City, Metro Manila.



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