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NOTICE

Department of Internal Market Protection of the Eurasian Economic Commission

"On the initiation of an anti-dumping investigation on spark plugs originating in the People's Republic of China and imported into the customs territory of the Eurasian Economic Union".

NoIn accordance with the Protocol on the application of special protective, antidumping and countervailing measures against third countries, which is Annex 8 to the Treaty on the Eurasian Economic Union of 29 May 2014 (hereinafter - the Protocol), the Decision of the Board of the Eurasian Economic Commission of 7 March 2012. № 1 "On Certain Issues of Application of Special Protective, Anti-dumping and Countervailing Measures in the Common Customs Territory of the Customs Union" and based on the results of consideration of the application submitted by Engels Spark Plugs LLC (hereinafter - the Applicant and the Application respectively), the Department for the Protection of the Internal Market of the Eurasian Economic Commission (hereinafter - the Department) decided to launch an anti-dumping investigation in respect of spark plugs originating in the People's Republic of China (hereinafter - the PRC) and imported into the Eurasian Economic Union.

According to the data provided in the Application, the share of of the Applicant for the period from 2022 to 2024 accounted for 100 per cent of the volume of production of spark plugs in the EAEU Member States, which meets the requirements contained in paragraphs 187 and 189 of the Protocol.

1. The goods are the subject of the investigation

The object investigation are spark plugs spark plugs spark plugs (hereinafter in this notice referred to as "spark plugs" or "Goods") originating in the PRC and imported into the EAEU TT.

Spark plugs are designed to ignite the working mixture in the combustion chamber of internal combustion engines in petrol-powered vehicles

and/or gas fuels, in industrial machinery and small internal combustion engines.

Spark plugs are classified under codes 8511 10 000 1 and 8511 10 000 9 of the Eurasian Economic Community's HS. Codes of HS of the EAEC are given for information only.

Spark plugs produced in the Union are defined in the Statement as goods which are similar to spark plugs originating in the PRC and imported into the EAEU TT.

2. Presence of dumped imports and the resulting damage to the EAEU economic sector

The Statement contains the following information. Presence of dumping imports of Goods on the EAEU TT.

In 2024, spark plugs from the PRC were supplied to the EAEU TT at dumping prices, i.e. at prices below the normal cost in the PRC domestic market.

The normal cost of spark plugs in the PRC is determined in the Application based on the data on the sale prices of the Goods in the domestic market of the PRC posted on the trading platforms Tmall, Taobao and 1688, subject to necessary adjustments, including trading platforms' commission, value added tax, trade level, trading company markup, shipping costs.

The export price of the Goods is determined on the basis of the data available to the applicant enterprises on the volume of importation of the Goods to the TA of the EAEU in the specified period and its statistical value, taking into account the adjustment for transportation costs, insurance, mark-up of the trading company.

The dumping margin on supplies of spark plugs to the EAEU TT from the PRC exceeded the minimum permissible dumping margin within the meaning of paragraph 222 of the Protocol and amounted to 26.10%.

Existence of damage to the economy of the EAEU member states due to dumping imports.

The Union market was characterised by the following trends from 2022 to 2024.

In 2023, while the volume of apparent consumption of the Goods in the EAEU grew by 61%, the volume of imports of the Goods from the PRC to the EAEU TT doubled and its share in the volume of apparent consumption increased by 30% to the maximum values for the period 2022-2024.

In 2024, while the volume of visible consumption of Goods in the EAEU decreased by 43 %, the volume of imports of Goods from the PRC to the EAEU TT decreased by 51 %, and its share in the volume of consumption decreased by 14 %.

In general, for the period from 2022 to 2024, while the volume of visible consumption of the Goods in the EAEU decreased by 8%, the volume of imports of the Goods from the PRC to the EAEU TT increased by 3%, and its share in the volume of visible consumption increased by 12%.

In addition, the ratio of the volume of imports of Goods from the PRC to the EAEU TT and the volume of production of Goods in the EAEU increased: in 2023 - by 4 times, in 2024 - by 12 % and in general for the period 2022 - 2024 - by 5 times. - 5 times.

In the period from 2022 to 2024, the weighted average price of imports of Goods from the PRC at the EAEU TT was lower than the weighted average price of Goods of the industry of the EAEU member states (hereinafter also referred to as the industry of the economy).

With the increase in the volume of imports of Goods from the PRC at lower prices and its share in the Union market in 2023 - 2024 relative to 2022, the industry was unable to increase the prices of Goods commensurate with the change in the cost of production, resulting in a loss on the sale of Goods in the Union market and negative margins on production and sales of Goods.

The statement contains information that spark plug manufacturers in the PRC have significant production and export potential. For example, in 2022, production of the Goods in the PRC exceeded domestic demand in the PRC by 60%. However, the demand for spark plugs in the PRC is expected to decline due to a decline in sales of fuel-efficient vehicles, which will also increase the dependence of Chinese producers of the Commodity on export markets. Given the geographical proximity of the PRC and the EAEU and the availability of established sales channels for Chinese suppliers in the EAEU market, there is a possibility of an increase in dumping imports of Goods from the PRC to the EAEU TT.

The above allows us to conclude that there is material damage to the sector of the economy caused by dumping imports.

3. Results of the application review

The information provided in the Application indicates the existence of:

- dumping imports of spark plugs originating from PRC and imported into the EAEU TT;
 - material damage to the economic sector caused by dumping imports.

In accordance with paragraph 206 of the Protocol, the presence in the Application of the specified information is the basis for a decision to initiate an anti-dumping investigation.

4. Rights of stakeholders and timeframes for their realisation

The date of commencement of the investigation is the date of publication of this notice on the official website of the Eurasian Economic Union.

Within 60 calendar days from the date of commencement of the investigation, the Department shall accept comments and information relevant to the investigation from interested persons referred to in paragraphs 259, 260 of the Protocol (in writing, in Russian language, in confidential and non-confidential versions). Guidelines for preparation of non-confidential versions of documents are available on the website of the Eurasian Economic Commission of the Eurasian Economic Community.

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interested persons in accordance with paragraph 209 of the Protocol may declare their intention to become a participant in an investigation. The Department shall accept declarations of intent to participate in an investigation within 25 calendar days of the date of commencement of the investigation (such declaration should specify and document the status of the interested person within the meaning of paragraph 259 of the Protocol).

B in accordance with c para. 213 Protocol participants Enquiry participants shall be provided with the opportunity to review non-confidential investigation materials through access to the "Electronic Library of Investigator Materials". Enquiry Electronic Library", posted B thematic section "Protection of the Internal Market" of the Portal of Common Information Resources and Open Data on the official website of the Eurasian Economic Union on the Internet. To obtain credentials for access to the above materials, it is necessary to send to the Department a completed form (original), a sample of which is available at the following link: https://remedies.eaeunion.org/dimd/filestorage/access_form.docx.

Participants in the investigation, within 45 calendar days from the date of commencement of the investigation, may request a public hearing as provided for in paragraphs 235 - 238 of the Protocol.

5. Information on the selection of foreign producers (exporters) for the purposes of limiting the determination of the individual dumping margin

In accordance with paragraph 49 of the Protocol, where the investigating authority concludes that it is inappropriate to determine an individual dumping margin for each known exporter and/or producer of a good because of the total number of exporters, it may use a limitation on the determination of individual dumping margins based on an acceptable number of interested parties.

Taking into account the available information on a significant number of producers and (or) exporters of the Goods in the PRC, in order to make a decision on the necessity to conduct a selection of foreign exporters and (or) producers to limit the determination of individual dumping margins and to conduct such selection, exporters and (or) producers of the Goods shall submit the following information to the Department in writing in Russian (in confidential and non-confidential versions) within 25 calendar days from the date of commencement of the investigation:

- 1) name, legal address, fax and telephone number, e-mail address of the organisation, full name of the contact person (in Russian and English);
- 2) the volume of sales of the Goods in value (in RMB) and quantity (in units) for the period from 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024 in the EAEU TT as a whole and separately to the Republic of Armenia, the Republic of Belarus, the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic and the Russian Federation;
- 3) the sales volume of the Goods in value (in RMB) and quantity (in units) for the period from 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024.

in the domestic market of the PRC;

- 4) the nature of activity (including on the markets of third countries) of the organisation in relation to production and (or) sales of the Goods (full or partial production, including under a subcontract, sale, distribution, purchase and other);
- 5) the name and nature of activities of all related organisations within the meaning of paragraph 2 of the Protocol involved in the production and (or) sales of the Goods, both in the PRC domestic market and in the EAEU TT;
- 6) other information that the organisation wishes to provide in order for the Department to select exporters and (or) producers of the Goods to determine the individual dumping margin.

The requested information may be submitted to the Department using the application form available on the official website of the Eurasian Economic Union at the following

https://remedies.eaeunion.org/dimd/filestorage/sampling_form_AD41.docx.

Submission of the above information to the Department indicates the interested party's consent to participate in the selection of foreign producers and (or) exporters for the purposes of determining the individual dumping margin and readiness to submit to the Department a response to the anti-dumping questionnaire for foreign producers and (or) exporters (hereinafter - the questionnaire), which will be sent to it following the results of such selection. Following the results of analysing the response to the questionnaire in order to verify the reliability of the information provided therein, the Department may carry out the verification visit provided for in paragraph 242 of the Protocol.

Submission of the information requested in this section to the Department shall simultaneously be the basis for registration of the interested person as a participant in the investigation.

6. Gathering information during the investigation

Based on paragraph 239 of the Protocol, a list of questions to be answered shall be sent to the known to the Department exporters and (or) foreign producers of the Commodity and producers of the Commodity in the EAEU member states. If necessary, the list of questions is also sent to importers and consumers of the Goods.

The above list may be requested, including information on import deliveries of Goods to the EAEU TT and on the production, economic and financial situation of the sector of the economy of the EAEU member states.

In accordance with paragraph 211 of the Protocol in the course of an investigation, additional information may be requested from the person concerned referred to in paragraphs 259, 260 of the Protocol for the purposes of the investigation.

7. Consequences of non-cooperation

If the interested person referred to in paragraphs 259, 260 of the Protocol refuses to the Department to provide the required information, fails to provide it within the established time limit or provides unreliable

information, thus significantly hampering the investigation, a preliminary or final conclusion, including on the existence of dumped imports and the production, economic and financial state of the sector of the economy of the EAEU member states, may be made by the Department on the basis of the information available to it.

8. Confidential information mode

In respect of confidential information received during the investigation in the Department from interested parties and participants in the investigation, the Regulation on the use and protection of confidential information and official information of restricted distribution in the body responsible for conducting investigations, approved by the Decision of the Board of the Eurasian Economic Commission of 7 March 2012 № 1, will be applied.

9. Contact information

Mailing address for interested parties to send comments and information relevant to the investigation:

Department of Internal Market Protection of the Eurasian Economic Commission Smolensky Boulevard, 3/5, building 1, Moscow, Russian Federation, 119121.

If you send comments and information related to the investigation **by post** to the Department of Internal Market Protection of the Eurasian Economic Commission, the address of receipt of correspondence is: 2 Letnikovskaya Street, Letnikovskaya, Moscow, Russian Federation, Vivaldi Plaza Business Centre, Building D, telephone +7 (495) 669-24-00 ext. 1272. 1272.

A leaflet on the submission of documents to the Department for the Protection of the Internal Market of the Eurasian Economic Commission within the framework of anti-dumping, countervailing and special protection investigations is available in the thematic section "Protection of the Internal Market" of the Portal of Common Information Resources and Open Data on the official website of the Eurasian Economic Union on the Internet at the following address: https://remedies.eaeunion.org/dimd/filestorage/DIMD_submission_guide.pdf.

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