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DEPARTMENT OF TRADE, INDUSTRY AND COMPETITION

NOTICE 4111 OF 2026

INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION

APPLICATION FOR AN INCREASE IN THE RATE OF CUSTOMS DUTY ON ALUMINIUM CHLOROHYDRATE (ACH), CLASSIFIABLE IN TARIFF SUBHEADING 2827.32, FROM FREE OF DUTY TO 10% *AD VALOREM* DUTY.

APPLICANT:**MCFI INTERNATIONAL (Pty) Ltd**

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Background of the application:

During 2024, the International Trade Administration Commission of South Africa ("ITAC" or "the Commission") considered an application by MCFI International (Pty) Ltd for an increase in the rate of customs duty on Aluminium Chlorohydrate ("ACH"), classifiable under tariff subheading 2827.32, from free of duty to 10% *ad valorem*. An investigation was subsequently initiated on 23 August 2024, through the publication of Notice No. 2695 of 2024 in Government Gazette No. 51114, inviting interested parties to submit comments on the application.

The Commission subsequently made a recommendation to the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition ("the Minister") regarding the application. The Minister, however, referred the Commission's recommendation back to ITAC for further investigation and consideration. In the referral, the Minister requested that ITAC consider, *inter alia*, evolving market dynamics and updated trade data, which introduced new considerations regarding the competitive environment facing the domestic ACH industry.

Pursuant to the Minister's referral, the Commission hereby invites all interested parties throughout the ACH value chain, including domestic manufacturers, importers, distributors, downstream users and any other interested parties, to submit comments, information, and supporting evidence for consideration. Such submission will assist the Commission in developing a comprehensive understanding of the current condition of the domestic ACH industry, prevailing market conditions, and any other relevant factors that may have bearing on the Commission's further consideration of the matter.

Note: Comments must be provided in the format of a questionnaire obtainable on ITAC's website at www.itac.org.za.

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PUBLICATION PERIOD:

Representation should be submitted to the above ITAC officials within **four (4) weeks** of the date of this notice.