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Ref: 3803/C13

**An application for an increase in the rate of customs duty on other paper and paperboard under tariff subheadings 4802.55.20, 4802.55.90, 4802.56.20, 4802.56.90, 4802.57.20 and 4802.57.90.**

Printing SA has received a duty application from the International Trade Administration Commission of South Africa (ITAC) from Mondi South Africa (Pty) Ltd – Merebank Mill, for an increase in the rate of customs duty on other paper and paperboard, not containing fibres obtained by a mechanical or chemi-mechanical process or of which not more than 10 per cent by mass of the total fibre content consists of such fibres classifiable under tariff subheadings 4802.55.20, 4802.55.90, 4802.56.20, 4802.56.90, 4802.57.20 and 4802.57.90. Click here to view the [requested tariff](#) and [description of the paper product](#).

Mondi stated several reasons for the application among others: The paper industry is under significant pressure due to a structural decline in the South African market, which has been accelerated by COVID impacts and ongoing threats from imports. [Click here to read reasons for the application](#).

Your comment is important as it will give us an indication on how we proceed with the application.

Whether you support or are against the application, we ask that you provide supporting evidence as to why you are for or against the application. If any information is confidential then a non-confidential version of the information must be submitted simultaneously with the confidential version. (Confidential information should be clearly marked by writing "CONFIDENTIAL" on the cover page of the document and every page that contains confidential information.

**We requested ITAC for an extension to respond adequately with your input, and we have been granted to respond on 21 June 2021 to ITAC, please make every effort to respond on or before 17 June 2021 to Printing SA.**

Please submit your comments to Ms Khanyi Ntanzani at e-mail: [kntanzani@printingsa.org](mailto:kntanzani@printingsa.org)

Click here to view the [full application](#) and [ITAC letter](#).