**Ministry of Commerce of People’s Republic of China**

TRB Policy & Regulation Note No. 69[2024]

**Notification on Insurance of Questionnaires**

**Concerning the Anti-Subsidy Case of Dairy Products**

Interested parties,

On 21 August 2024, the Ministry of Commerce released the Notice No. 34 [2024] and initiated the anti-subsidy investigation of the imports of dairy products originating in the EU.

Due to the large number of companies registered to participate in the investigation, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the *Anti-Subsidy Regulation of the People’s Republic of China*, the investigating authority decided to adopt a sampling methodology to conduct the anti-subsidy investigation. On 14 October 2024, the investigation authority issued the *Notification on Sampling in the Anti-Subsidy Case of Dairy Products* and solicited comments. Within the specified time, no interested parties raised objection to the sampling plan and the result. The investigation authority made the determination following the sampling plan in the *Notification*, that is, based on responses received by the investigation authority, taking into consideration of the needs of the anti-subsidy investigation and the actual situation of the case, with comprehensive evaluations of various factors such as export quantity, product structure and geographical distribution, and select following 3 representative companies as sample companies.

1. ELVIR and affiliated companies
2. FrieslandCampina Nederland B.V., FrieslandCampina Belgium N.V., and affiliated companies
3. Sterilgarda Alimenti SPA and affiliated companies

In accordance with the relevant provisions of the *Anti-Subsidy Regulation of the People’s Republic of China*, related matters concerning the release of the sampling questionnaires are hereby notified as follows:

1. The questionnaires of the case include "Questionnaire for Government", "Questionnaire for Foreign Exporters or Producers", "Questionnaire for Domestic Producers", and "Questionnaire for Domestic Importers". For details of the requirements, submission methods and timeframe, please refer to the corresponding questionnaires.
2. Foreign government (region) shall fill in the "Questionnaire for Government". Foreign exporters or producers shall fill in the "Questionnaire for Foreign Exporters or Producers". Domestic producers shall fill in the "Questionnaire for Domestic Producers". Domestic importers shall fill in the "Questionnaire for Domestic Importers"
3. The sampling companies shall fill in the "Questionnaire for Foreign Exporters or Producers" as required. Other non-sampling companies may voluntarily fill in and submit the questionnaires as required. Please note: the investigation authority will only review the response questionnaires submitted by the non-sampling companies provided it does not hinder the timely completion of the dumping investigation.
4. The date of this notice is the date of questionnaire issuance. The interested parties should submit complete and accurate answer of the questionnaires within the specified time as required. In the event of a situation as stipulated in Article 21 of the *Anti-Subsidy Regulations of the People's Republic of China*, the investigating authority may make a determination based on the facts already obtained and the best available information.
5. Please download the questionnaires from the website of the Trade Remedy Investigation Bureau of the Ministry of Commerce (http://trb.mofcom.gov.cn) or the China Trade Remedy Information Network (<http://www.cacs.gov.cn>). Interested parties shall submit the electronic version of the questionnaires through the "Trade Remedy Investigation Informatisation Platform" (https://etrb.mofcom.gov.cn), and at the same time submit the hard copies according to the requirements of the Ministry of Commerce. The contents of the electronic copy and the hard copy should be the same and the format should be consistent. If the interested parties have any questions during the distribution of this questionnaire or the process of answering the questionnaire, please consult with the case handler.

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Annexes:

"Questionnaire for Government" - WPS

"Questionnaire for Government" - PDF

"Questionnaire for Foreign Exporters or Producers" - WPS

"Questionnaire for Foreign Exporters or Producers" - PDF

"Questionnaire for Domestic Producers" - WPS

"Questionnaire for Domestic Producers" - PDF

"Questionnaire for Domestic Importers" - WPS

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