

## **EXPLANATION OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION ON ADEQUACY**

in

*Polyethylene Retail Carrier Bags from China, Malaysia, and Thailand,*  
Inv. Nos. 731-TA-1043-1045 (Review)

On October 5, 2009, the Commission determined that it should proceed to full reviews in the subject five-year reviews pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. § 1675(c)(3)(B).

The Commission determined that the response to its notice of institution filed by the Polyethylene Retail Carrier Bag (“PRCB”) Committee and its individual members, consisting of six domestic producers of PRCBs, was individually adequate. Because members of the PRCB Committee accounted for a majority of domestic PRCB production in 2008, the Commission further determined that the domestic interested party group response was adequate.

The Commission determined that the response to its notice of institution filed by the Task Force of PRCB Manufacturers of the Malaysian Plastic Manufacturers Association and its individual members, consisting of 23 Malaysian producers and exporters of PRCBs, was individually adequate. Because these Malaysian producers and exporters accounted for a majority of Malaysian PRCB production and exports in 2008, the Commission further determined that the Malaysian interested party group response was adequate. Accordingly, the Commission determined to proceed to a full review in *PRCBs from Malaysia*.

The Commission did not receive a response from any respondent interested party in the reviews concerning subject imports from China and Thailand and, therefore, determined that the respondent interested party group responses for both countries were inadequate. However, the Commission determined to conduct full reviews concerning subject imports from China and Thailand to promote administrative efficiency in light of its decision to conduct a full review of *PRCBs from Malaysia*.

A record of the Commissioners’ votes is available from the Office of the Secretary and the Commission’s web site (<http://www.usitc.gov>).