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Montelukast probe keeps its scope; replies due November 21

DGTR keeps the scope of its anti-dumping probe on Montelukast Sodium from China unchanged, adopts no PCN, and moves replies to November 21, 2026.

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DGTR sent intimation letters to the known interested parties on September 30, 2026. They had 15 days, to October 15, 2026, to comment on the scope and to propose a PCN methodology if they thought one was needed. None of the registered interested parties commented on the scope or proposed a PCN methodology by that date. So DGTR says the scope stays as defined and notified in the Initiation Notification, without any change. Since neither the applicant nor any interested party proposed a PCN methodology in time, it adopts none.

The Initiation Notification describes Montelukast Sodium as the sodium salt of montelukast (molecular formula C35H35ClNNaO3S, CAS No. 151767-02-1), generally supplied as a white to off-white powder. The scope covers it in all forms, grades, purities, particle sizes and packaging, whether described as pharmaceutical grade, commercial grade, customer-specific grade or by any other name, provided it has the essential characteristics of Montelukast Sodium. It has been imported under tariff items 2933 39 90, 2933 49 90, 2933 99 90 and 2942 00 90, which are indicative only. The unit of measurement is kilograms (KG), and the period of investigation is April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026.

The letter says it settles the scope only for running the investigation. Any interested party may still make submissions on the scope during the investigation, including a request to exclude a particular product, if it backs them with relevant information and evidence. DGTR will decide the scope of the product for any measure it may recommend after examining the information and evidence on record.

DGTR received several requests to extend the current deadline of November 6, 2026. It grants 15 more days, so questionnaire responses are now due on November 21, 2026, on the scope defined in the Initiation Notification. The letter says trade remedy investigations are time bound and no further extension will be granted. It gives no finding on dumping or injury.

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Document	Letter to all interested parties, F. No. 6/50/2026-DGTR
Dated	November 4, 2026
Applies to	Anti-dumping investigation into "Montelukast Sodium" originating in or exported from China
Tariff items	2933 39 90, 2933 49 90, 2933 99 90 and 2942 00 90 (indicative only)
Scope	Stays as notified at initiation, without any change; no registered interested party commented on it by October 15, 2026
PCN methodology	None adopted; none proposed by the applicant or any interested party
Questionnaire responses due	November 21, 2026 (moved from November 6, 2026); no further extension
Investigation initiated	September 24, 2026 (Gazette CG-DL-E-03102026-276769, SETU Case ID AD/OI/053/2026)
Applicant	Morepen Laboratories Limited
Period of investigation	April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026 (from the Initiation Notification)
Signed by	Vivek Singh, Director

The letter (PDF, 117 KB)

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