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PTOP tackifier probe keeps its scope, replies due November 22

DGTR keeps the scope of its anti-dumping probe on PTOP tackifier resin from China, adopts no PCN, and moves questionnaire replies to November 22, 2026.

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DGTR sent intimation letters to known interested parties on October 1, 2026. Parties had 15 days, until October 16, 2026, to comment on the scope of the product under consideration (PUC) and to propose a Product Control Number (PCN) methodology. At parties' request, DGTR extended this to October 23, 2026. The letter records that no registered interested party filed comments on the scope or proposed a PCN methodology by that date.

So the scope of the product stays as defined in the initiation notification, with no change. Since neither the applicants nor any interested party proposed a PCN methodology in time, DGTR adopts none for this investigation. The letter says this settles the scope for running the investigation, but parties may still make submissions on scope during the investigation, including requests to exclude a product, if backed by information and evidence. DGTR will decide the scope of any recommended measure after examining the evidence on record.

DGTR received several requests to extend the questionnaire deadline of November 7, 2026. It granted 15 more days, so questionnaire responses are now due by November 22, 2026, and must follow the scope in the initiation notification. The letter says no further extension will be granted, since trade remedy investigations are time bound. It is signed by Vivek Singh, Director, and asks parties to watch the DGTR website and the SETU portal for updates.

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Document	Letter to all interested parties, F. No. 6/46/2026-DGTR
Dated	November 5, 2026
Product	Para-tert-Octyl Phenol ("PTOP") Formaldehyde Tackifier Resin
Origin	China
Investigation initiated	September 28, 2026 (SETU Case ID AD/OI/049/2026)

Applicants	SI Group India Private Limited and Finorchem Limited
Scope comments and PCN proposals	Due October 16, 2026, extended to October 23, 2026; none filed by registered parties
Scope of the product	As defined in the initiation notification, unchanged
PCN methodology	None adopted
Questionnaire responses	Due November 22, 2026 (was November 7, 2026); no further extension
Signed by	Vivek Singh, Director

The letter (PDF, 180 KB)

Source: DGTR's own copy.

Checked against the official copy on November 7, 2026.

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