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FACT SHEET – PLASTICS

ASEAN is a valuable export market for plastics with average annual exports of \$158 million, accounting for 16% of Australian global exports of these products. While tariffs are low in ASEAN countries for many of the tariff lines covered by this sector, there are some high tariffs mostly in the 15%-30% range in some ASEAN countries. Tariffs will be eliminated on all tariffs in this sector in Malaysia, and for all but 6 tariff lines in Vietnam. Tariffs will also be eliminated on the majority of tariff lines in Indonesia, with the remainder reduced to the 8%-15% range. While many tariffs will be eliminated in the Philippines, tariffs on 155 tariff lines will only be subject to modest reductions (to the 4%-12% range). Outcomes under AANZFTA should ensure maintenance of current market access and provide new market access opportunities for some products.

Australia's Exports to ASEAN (Australian Produce)

Product (HS 39)	Exports to ASEAN 3 Year Average 2006-2008 (\$A million)	Exports to ASEAN as Percentage of Australia's Global Exports of Each Product 3 Year Average 2006- 2008 %
Polymers of propylene and other olefins (HS 3902)	15.7	18.4
Acrylic polymers (HS 3906)	8.0	21.7
Polyacetals, polycarbonates and other polyethers and polyesters (HS 3907)	7.1	18.4
Polyurethanes (HS 3909.50)	7.8	34.0
Cellulose and derivatives (HS 3912)	2.6	34.1
Waste, parings and scrap (HS 3915)	2.5	4.8
Tubes, pipes, hoses and fittings (HS 3917)	9.6	8.5
Plates, sheets, strip, foil, etc, not self-adhesive (HS 3920)	48.2	27.6
Plates, sheets, strip, foil, cellular, laminated, reinforced, etc (HS 3921)	3.0	10.1
Boxes, crates, sacks, bags, bottles, stoppers, spools (HS 3923)	27.4	18.5
Other articles (HS 3926)	11.3	11.6
Other	14.8	8.2
Total	158.1	16.0

Summary of Outcomes:

Australia

- 2005 base tariffs (140 tariff lines):
 - 0% on 12 tariff lines
 - 5% on 117 tariff lines
 - 10% on 10 tariff lines
 - 17.5% on 1 tariff line.
- Tariffs will be eliminated on all tariff lines by 2020 at the latest:
 - Tariffs will be bound at 0% at entry-into-force (EIF) or will be eliminated in 2010 for all but 3 tariff lines.
 - Remaining tariffs phase to 0% by 2020 (1 tariff line at 17.5% covering plastic apparel) or will be eliminated in one step in 2020 (2 tariff lines at 5% covering certain plates, sheets, strip, etc).

Indonesia

- 2005 base tariffs (384 tariff lines):
 - 0-5% on 166 tariff lines
 - 10% on 73 tariff lines
 - 15% on 27 tariff lines
 - 20% on 115 tariff lines
 - 30% on 3 tariff lines.
- Tariffs will be eliminated by 2020 on all but 44 tariff lines on which tariffs will be reduced:
 - Tariffs of 0% bound at EIF.
 - Tariffs of 5% will be eliminated in 2010.
 - Tariffs of 10% phase to 0% by 2012, except for 1 tariff line on which tariff phases to 0% by 2020.
 - Tariffs of 15% phase to 0% by 2013, except for tariffs on 10 lines which phase to 8% by 2025, or will be reduced in one step to 8% in 2025.
 - Tariffs of 20% phase to 0% by 2014 or 2015, except for tariffs on 31 lines which phase to 10% by 2025 commencing in 2015.
 - Tariffs of 30% phase to 15% by 2025, with reductions commencing in 2015.

Malaysia

- 2005 base tariffs (372 tariff lines):
 - 0% on 89 tariff lines
 - 2% on 1 tariff line
 - 3% on 1 tariff line
 - 5% on 48 tariff lines
 - 10% on 20 tariff lines
 - 15% on 1 tariff line
 - 20% on 112 tariff lines.
 - 25% on 32 tariff lines

- 30% on 68 tariff lines.
- Tariffs will be eliminated on all tariff lines by 2020:
 - Tariffs of 0-3% bound at 0% at EIF.
 - Tariffs of 5% will phase to 0% except for 1 tariff line which phases to 0% by 2020 commencing in 2012.
 - Tariffs of 10% phase to 0% by 2011 (11 lines), except for tariffs on 13 lines which phase to 0% by 2020 commencing in 2015.
 - Tariff of 15% phases to 0% by 2020 commencing in 2012.
 - Tariffs of 20% phase to 0% by 2020 except for tariffs on 5 lines which phase to 0% by 2015.
 - Tariffs of 25% phase to 0% by 2016 except for tariffs on 7 lines which phase to 0% by 2020 and on 1 line which phases to 0% by 2013.
 - Tariffs of 30% phase to 0% by 2016 except for 7 tariff lines which phase to 0% by 2020.

New Zealand

- 2005 base tariffs (236 tariff lines): between 0% and 19%.
- Tariffs will be eliminated on all tariff lines by 2020, with most bound at 0% at EIF or eliminated in 2010.

Note: Australia already benefits from bound 0% tariffs under ANZCERTA.

Philippines

- 2005 base tariffs (390 tariff lines):
 - 1% on 16 tariff lines
 - 3% on 117 tariff lines
 - 5% on 15 tariff lines
 - 7% on 49 tariff lines
 - 10% on 9 tariff lines
 - 15% on 184 tariff lines.
- Tariffs will be eliminated by 2020 on 236 tariff lines; tariffs will be reduced but not eliminated on 155 lines:
 - Tariffs of 1-5% will be eliminated in 2010 except 1 line on which the tariff will be reduced to 4% in 2020.
 - Tariffs of 7% will phase to 0% by 2011 (37 lines) except for 12 lines where the tariff will be reduced to 6% in 2020.
 - Tariffs of 10% will phase to 0% by 2012 except for 1 line where the tariff will be reduced to 8% in 2020.
 - Tariffs of 15% will be reduced to 12% in 2020 (141 lines) except for 43 lines where the tariff will be phased to 0% by 2013.

Singapore

- **All tariffs bound at 0% on EIF.**

Note: these tariff commitments are the same as in SAFTA.

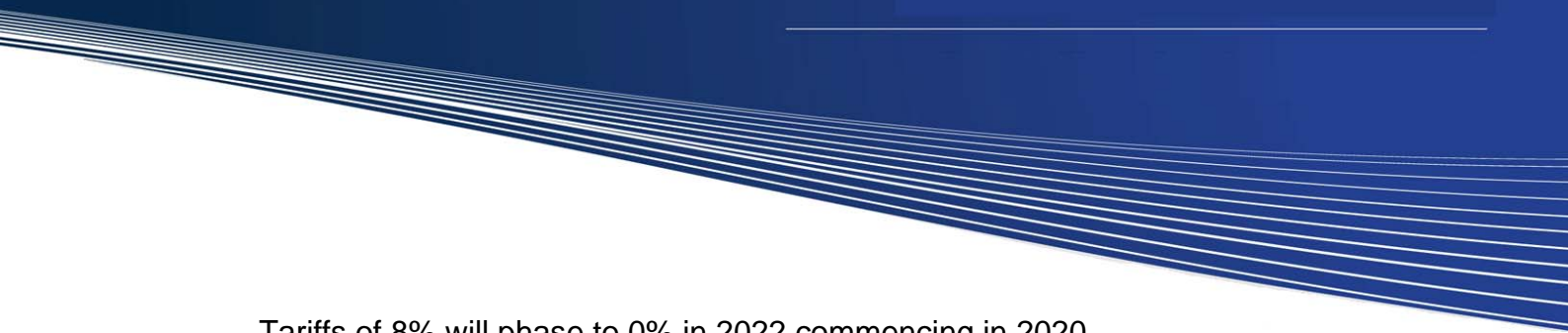
Thailand

- 2005 base tariffs (177 tariff lines):
 - 0% on 4 tariff lines
 - 1% on 5 tariff lines
 - 5% on 67 tariff lines
 - 7.5% on 1 tariff line
 - 10% on 8 tariff lines
 - 12.5% on 33 tariff lines
 - 15% on 4 tariff lines
 - 17.5% on 28 tariff lines
 - 20% on 14 tariff lines
 - 30% on 13 tariff lines.
- Tariffs will be eliminated by 2010 except for 28 tariff lines which will be eliminated by 2012-2019:
 - Tariffs of 0% bound at EIF.
 - Tariffs of 1% will be eliminated at EIF or in 2010.
 - Tariffs of 5% will be eliminated at EIF (17 lines) or in 2010 (50 lines).
 - Tariff of 7.5% will phase to 0% by 2010.
 - Tariffs of 10% will phase to 0% by 2010 except for 1 tariff line which will phase to 0% by 2017 commencing in 2014.
 - Tariffs of 12.5% will phase to 0% by 2010.
 - Tariffs of 15% will phase to 0% by 2010.
 - Tariffs of 17.5% will phase to 0% by 2010.
 - Tariffs of 20% will phase to 0% by 2012 except for 1 line where the tariff will phase to 0% by 2019 commencing in 2012.
 - Tariffs of 30% will phase to 0% by 2013.

Note: tariff commitments are better in TAFTA for most products.

Vietnam

- 2005 base tariffs (381 tariff lines):
 - 0% on 112 tariff lines
 - 3% on 9 tariff lines
 - 5% on 60 tariff lines
 - 8% on 4 tariff lines
 - 10% on 102 tariff lines
 - 15% on 4 tariff lines
 - 20% on 39 tariff lines
 - 30% on 20 tariff lines
 - 40% on 25 tariff lines
 - 50% on 6 tariff lines.
- Tariffs will be eliminated on all tariff lines by 2022, except for 6 lines where the tariff will be reduced to 5%:
 - Tariffs of 0% bound at EIF.
 - Tariffs of 3-5% will be eliminated in 2016.

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- Tariffs of 8% will phase to 0% in 2022 commencing in 2020.
 - Tariffs of 10% will phase to 0% by 2016 (95 lines) except for 1 line where the tariff will phase to 0% by 2019 commencing in 2012, and for 6 lines where the tariff will be reduced to 5% by 2022 commencing in 2021.
 - Tariffs of 20% will phase to 0% by 2017.
 - Tariffs of 30-50% will phase to 0% by 2018.