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## Starch Europe disappointed with extension of anti-dumping duties on exports of EU potato Starch to China

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Starch Europe has issued a statement on the recent decision of the Chinese Minister of Commerce (MOFCOM) to extend the anti-dumping duties on exports of EU potato starch to China for another 5 years.



Starch Europe: *“Starch Europe regrets the decision of the Chinese Minister of Commerce (MOFCOM), which is not supported by facts and figures.”*

*“On 19 February 2019, the MOFCOM published its final decision issued on 2 February [PP: included below], to extend for another 5 years the anti-dumping duties*

ranging from 12,6% to 56,7% on exports of EU potato starch to China.”

“These duties have been applied since August 2006. The anti-dumping duties come on top of the anti-subsidy duties ranging from 7.5% to 12,4% also applied on EU export of potato starch to China, that were also extended for another 5 years from 15 September 2017.”

### **MOFCOM Decides to Apply the Anti-dumping Measures against Imports of Potato Starch Originating in the EU**

On February 1, 2019, the Ministry of Commerce of the People's Republic of China (the "MOFCOM") issued Announcement No.4 of 2019, deciding to continue levying the anti-dumping duties on imports of potato starch originating in the EU for five years from February 6 according to the final review results.

The MOFCOM applied the anti-dumping measures against imports of potato starch originating in the EU from February 2007. In April 2011, the MOFCOM adjusted the anti-dumping duty rate applicable to the EU companies. In February 2018, as applied by the domestic industry, the MOFCOM initiated an investigation for final review.

**Source:** [Ministry of Commerce Website](#)

Starch Europe: “The initial case was launched in 2006.”

“On the basis of the complaint issued further to the launch of the expiry review on 5 February 2018, Starch Europe registered as an interested party to represent the sector and opposed the continuation of the anti-dumping duties arguing that allegations are not substantiated by facts.”

“Starch Europe is disappointed and regrets the decision of the MOFCOM.”

“Starch Europe calls on the authorities to discontinue these duties and to fully investigate why, in spite of substantial protection in place for more than 10 years, the Chinese potato starch industry remains in a state of 'fragility and vulnerability'.”

Source: Starch Europe