Mr. R. Matthew Priest, Chairman
Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements
U.S. Department of Commerce
Room H3001A
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Washington, D.C. 20230

Dear Mr. Priest

## RESPONSE IN A CAFTA COMMERCIAL AVAILABILITY PROCEEDING FILE 36.2007.09.20

Elasticos Centro Americanos y Textiles (ELCATEX) is located in ZIPTEX Costado N.O. Zip Choloma, Carretera a Puerto Cortes, Choloma Cortes, Honduras C.A. Elcatex is a textile mill that certifies that in accordance to the above request, can produce the fabric detailed below.

ELCATEX is a vertical Mill that knits, dye, finishes and cut fabrics under HTS 6001.21.0000.

We can offer the following fabric formulation:

- Fiber Content: 65% cotton 35% polyester
- Yarn: Face yarn 70 denier 34F face. Tie yarn 30/1 technical face. Fleece 12/1 50 cotton / 50 poly carded open end back.
- Gauge: 18.
- Knit Type: 3 thread circular knit
- Weight: 9.2 oz
- Widths: 16.25, 17.25, 17.75, 18.25, 18.75, 19.25, 19.75, 20.25, 20.75, 21.25, 21.75, 22.25, 22.75, 23.25, 23.75, 24.25, 24.75, 25.25, 25.75, 26.25, 26.75, 27.25, 28.25, 28.75, 29.25, 29.75, 30.75, 31.25, 31.75, 32.25 All these are tubular widths.
- Finish: Napped on the technical back, piece dyed.
- Performance Criteria: 6 x 6 shrinkage.

It is important to mention that, on point IV of the letter, the loft in a three end fabric or two end fabrics are controlled mainly by the size of the fleece or backing yarn used 12/1 50% cotton / 50% poly carded open end yarn after napping will produce more loft than say 16/1 as mentioned on the letter. Thus it is possible to assume that a 10/1 used on a two end fleece could produce a fabric with the same loft as the fabric described in the letter. Our three end fleece with 12/1 will result in slightly more loft or fabric thickness.

We are capable of producing the above fabric described for an amount of 50,000 yds per week equivalent to approximately 50,000 lbs per week in several tubular widths.

My office is located in our Honduras facility, and can be contacted at the below address and phone number.

Thank you.

Sincerely

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