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APPLICATION FOR A TARIFF CONCESSION ORDER (TCO)

The form should be read carefully before being completed

- (a) Before lodging an application for a TCO, the applicant should determine whether a suitable TCO already exists. Information on existing TCOs is contained in the schedule of Concessional Instruments (SCI), a copy of which is available at each Regional Office of Customs. A TCO can be used by any importer.
- (b) An application will be date stamped on the day it is first received in Canberra by an officer of Customs. Receipt of an application will be acknowledged. Any resultant TCO will operate from the date of receipt. Instructions on how to lodge this form are provided at the end of this form.
- (c) Where an application is accepted as being a valid application, the identity of the applicant and of the importer for whom the applicant is acting will be published in the *Gazette*.
- (d) Section 269F of the *Customs Act 1901* requires that a TCO application to be in writing, be in an "approved form", contain such information as the form requires, and be signed in the manner indicated in the form. **This is the approved form for the purposes of that section.**
- (e) Section 269FA of the *Customs Act 1901* states "It is the responsibility of an applicant for a TCO to establish, to the satisfaction of the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), that, on the basis of:
 - (i) all information that the applicant has, or can reasonably be expected to have; and
 - (ii) all inquiries that the applicant has made, or can reasonably be expected to make;
 - there are reasonable grounds for asserting that the application meets the core criteria". The application is taken to meet the core criteria if, on the day of lodgement of the application, no substitutable goods were produced in Australia in the ordinary course of business.
- (f) Every question on the form must be answered. Failure to supply the information required by this form will result in rejection of the application (and in the loss of operative date).
- (g) Where the form provides insufficient space to answer a question, an answer may be provided in an attachment. The attachment should clearly identify the question to which it relates.
- (h) All information about inquiries into the production of substitutable goods must relate to the date the application is lodged with Customs.
- (i) Customs may require an applicant to substantiate, with documentary evidence, any information provided in the application form.
- (j) Further information on the Tariff Concession System is available in Part XVA of the Customs Act 1901, in the foreword to the Schedule of Concessional Instruments, in the administrative guidelines in Volume 13 of the Australian Customs Service Manual, in Australian Customs Notice No. 98/19, on the internet at www.customs.gov.au, by e-mailing information@customs.gov.au or by phoning the Customs Information Centre 1300 363 263.

APPLICANT DETAILS (An agent/broker should provide details on the next page) Australian Business Number (A.B.N.) Applicant's Name ROSMECH SALES & SERVICE PTY LTD 86093128271 00 Postal Address 0 30 STANBEL ROAD, SALISBURY PLAIN, SA 5109 Applicant's Reference Owner Code (if applicable) V TCO-RSS-SCARAB MINOR 00 Company Contact Position Held FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION MANAGER Telephone Number Facsimile Number E-mail Address 08-8182 7799 O If you do not intend to use the TCO to import into Australia the goods the subject of the application, you must provide, in the section below, the identity of the importer for whom you are acting (refer to paragraph 269F(3)(c) of the Customs Act 1901). e IMPORTER DETAILS Importer's Name (If same as applicant, write "as above") A.B.N. MOI 18 NOV 78 10:80 AS ABOVE eed Œ Postal Address Importer's Reference Owner Code 0 Company Contact Position Held 69 e 0 Telephone Number Facsimile Number

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Memo

To:

Director, Tariff Concessions

At:

Australian Customs Service

Trade Services Branch,

Customs House

Trade Division

Canberra

From:

Date:

November 13, 2008

Pages: 1 of 2 plus attachments

Re:

TCO Application

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Subject:

TCO Application – COMPACT ROAD SWEEPERS

Reference:

TCO-RSS-SCARAB MINOR

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Dear Sir / Madam

On behalf of Adelaide manufacturer Rosmech Sales & Service Pty Ltd., we are pleased to submit herewith their application for a TCO to cover the above goods. The proposed wording of the TCO is as follows:-

SWEEPERS, SUCTION COLLECTION, ride in, comprising ALL of the following:

- (a) hopper capacity NOT greater than 2.0 cubic metres;
- (b) maximum suction mouth width NOT greater than 800 mm;
- (c) maximum horizontal wide-sweep brush diameter NOT greater than 350 mm;
- (d) maximum sweeping width NOT greater than 2 500 mm;
- (e) maximum travelling speed NOT greater than 70 kph

In conjunction with Rosmech we have undertaken a review of the Australian industry for road sweepers. The locally manufactured sweepers are all truck mounted machines that are built onto imported cab-chassis units, usually sourced from local dealerships.

Rosmech build their sweepers using Hino and Nissan UD cab-chassis.

There is an existing TCO, number TC 0406497, which was applied for by another supplies in this industry. Hake Australia. The suppopers described in this existing

supplier in this industry, Hako Australia. The sweepers described in this existing concession and the sweepers the subject of this new application, are described within the industry as being Compact Street Sweepers.

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These **Compact Street Sweepers** are used in smaller urban areas such as shopping malls, town and city centres where the larger truck mounted sweepers cannot operate or their operational impact is unacceptable.

In discussions with Rosmech it was established that these compact street sweepers do not compete with the truck mounted street sweepers

In those discussions with Rosmech w e were able to recognize that if compact street sweepers were to come onto the market in larger sizes or capacity, then there was the possibility that some competition could arise with truck mounted street sweepers. Rosmech advised that, as a local manufacturer, they would like to see any TCOs for compact street sweepers restricted to units with a maximum hopper capacity of 2.0 m3. This has been confirmed in their supporting correspondence to this application.

Other than the smaller hopper capacity, there are a number of other aspects of compact street sweepers that contribute towards the overall features that separate them from the truck mounted sweepers and therefore separate their market applications. According to Rosmech however, the restriction to a 2.0 m3 maximum hopper capacity in any future TCO wording, would ensure a clear separation between the competing markets serviced by compact and truck mounted street sweepers.

The three local manufacturers and other suppliers, all have web sites depicting both compact and truck mounted street sweepers. We have highlighted the following for your reference:

Rosmech:

www.rosmech.com.au

Schwarze:

www.schwarze.com.au

McDonald:

http://esvc000162.wic031u.server-web.com/home.asp

Hako

http://www.hakoaustralia.com.au/a/products/sweepers/

Concerning tariff classification, we hold tariff advice on the classification of a different model compact street sweeper under sub heading 8705.90 utilizing the existing TCO. TA # 19186100 refers. The **Scarab Minor** compact street sweeper referenced in this application is very similar and in our view is clearly classified under sub-heading 8705.90.

We submit here that it has been established, for the goods referenced herewith, that there are no substitutable goods manufactured in Australia by the continued existence of TC 0406497. We further submit that this position, coupled with the advice from Rosmed who are also a local manufacturer of street sweepers, that the **Compact Street**Sweepers do not compete in the market with locally made Truck Mounted Street

Sweepers, establishes a prima facie case for this TCO application to proceed.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if more information is required.

With Regards,

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Encl.:

November 12, 2008

National Manager, Tariff Branch Australian Customs Service Customs House 5 Constitution Avenue CANBERRA ACT 2601

Dear Sir

Our reference:

TCO-RSS-SCARAB MINOR

Subject:

Tariff Concession Order Application Compact Road/Street Sweepers

My name is at Rosmech and I make the following submission in support of the Tariff Concession Order Application being made for *Compact Street Sweepers* on our behalf by our Customs Broker, Smith Channon & Co., Port Adelaide.

The unit being imported by Rosmech is a model called the **Scarab Minor VM Hydrostatic Sweeper**. Technical data is attached herewith.

Rosmech have been involved with the manufacture, sales and servicing of road sweepers since the early 1970's. Rosmech's management team have many years of experience in this industry and we invite you to check our products and the history of the company through our web site at www.rosmech.com.au.

Rosmech currently has employment numbers of 30 and we are exporting sweepers we manufacture to New Zealand.

There are two other manufacturers of road sweepers in Australia. These are:

- Schwarze Industries Australia www.schwarze.com.au
- McDonald Johnston http://esvc000162.wic031u.server-web.com/home.asp

As is the case with Rosmech, the Australian manufacturers will not set up manufacturing operations for *Compact Street Sweepers* because the size of the local market does not warrant such investment.

The sweepers manufactured in Australia are mounted on truck cab-chassis units. The smallest unit manufactured by Rosmech has a hopper carrying capacity of 5.5 cubic metres. The smallest unit manufactured locally is produced by Schwarze Industries and this unit has a hopper carrying capacity of 3.3 cubic metres. Please see the attached data sheet from Schwarze on their A4000 sweeper.

Compact Street Sweepers available to the Australian market are all imported and comprise special purpose built vehicles similar to the Scarab Minor model.

It is our position that the concessional importation of Compact Street Sweepers will not compete in the Australian market with any locally produced sweepers.

Notwithstanding making the claim that Compact Street Sweepers will not compete with locally made sweepers, as a local manufacturer we have an understanding that there needs to be a position taken to recognize a maximum size capacity for *Compact* Street Sweepers where units above that size may compete in the market place. We believe that maximum size capacity should be set against those units having a waste hopper capacity not exceeding 2 cubic metres.

We are aware of the existence of the existing Tariff Concession Order number TC 0406497 which is worded as follows:

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SWEEPERS, SUCTION COLLECTION, ride in, comprising ALL of the
following:
   (a) hopper capacity NOT greater than 1.715 cubic metres;
   (b) maximum suction mouth width NOT greater than 800 mm;
   (c) maximum sweeping width NOT greater than 2 500 mm;
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(d) maximum travelling speed NOT greater than 50 kph

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Rosmech is currently utilizing this concession for a *Compact Street Sweeper* being imported from a French supplier. This concession was worded specifically to accommodate a sweeper imported by Hako Australia P/L and is therefore seen as being restrictive in application to similar competing *Compact Street Sweepers*.

If our Tariff Concession Order Application is successful, it will extend concessional coverage to similar Compact Street Sweepers, including our Scarab Minor. The wording of our proposed new concession is as follows:

SWEEPERS, SUCTION COLLECTION, ride in, comprising ALL of the following:

- (a) hopper capacity NOT greater than 2.0 cubic metres;
- (b) maximum suction mouth width NOT greater than 800 mm;
- (c) maximum horizontal wide-sweep brush diameter NOT greater than 350 mm;
- (d) maximum sweeping width NOT greater than 2 500 mm;
- (e) maximum travelling speed NOT greater than 70 kph

Your acceptance and processing of our Tariff Concession Order Application is requested accordingly.



Rosmech Sales & Service Pty., Ltd.

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Rosmech was established in 1974 by Mr. Graham Treloar and remains today Australia's oldest 100% owned and operated road sweeper sales company. For many years Rosmech marketed the Mobil Sweeper, a mechanical broom and elevator sweeper. Graham saw the need to broaden Rosmech's product range to cater for Australia's diverse conditions and undertook extensive travel and research to source a range of sweepers to complement the Mobil Sweeper.

By the late 1980's suction sweeping had become more prevalent and the single engine Scarab sweeper was added to the range proving to be very popular. With sales exceeding 200 units Australia wide the Scarab sweeper has become the corner stone of Rosmech's business.

Operating from it's own purpose built facility at Salisbury Plain, some 20 kilometres north of Adelaide, Rosmech is represented throughout Australia. Although most councils and sweeping companies maintain their own equipment, Rosmech maintains skilled service and spare parts divisions to provide operator training, administer manufacturer's warranty, provide spare parts, assist with fault finding and carry out maintenance.

After guiding the company for many years Graham Treloar retired in June 2000 handing over the reins to Rosmech's new management team Colin Miller, Matthew Howe and Brett Laing. With a can do attitude Colin, Matthew and Brett set about the task of revitalising Rosmech.

The first step in this process was to refine the Scarab Merlin to give it broader market appeal. It was well known that the Scarab Merlin had some significant operational, environmental and performance benefits however improved delivery times and a cab chassis with better acceptance and after sales support were essential if the Scarab Merlin was to be a long term player in the Australian sweeper market.

Working closely with Scarab's head office in Kent, UK, Rosmech now receives Scarab Merlin sweepers in kit form and assembles these onto the UD MK 240 cab chassis at it's Adelaide facility. UD Trucks Australia have given their full support to this project, and together with the extensive UD dealer network throughout Australia the UD MK 240 mounted Scarab sweeper is an excellent package.

With the move to the UD cab chassis the Scarab Merlin now features a quality mirror image dual steer conversion utilising twin steering boxes and incorporating fully integrated air conditioning utilising the dash vents. Rosmech undertakes all of this work in house at its Adelaide facility. Delivery times have been reduced and initial sales success and customer feedback to the new Australian Spec Scarab Merlin has been extremely pleasing for all involved in the project.

In line with feedback received from some customers who were impressed by the new UD mounted Scarab Merlin but wanted the option of an automatic chassis, Scarab, Rosmech and UD have worked hard to bring the new UD mounted Scarab Mistral to the Australian market. This model has proved to be extremely popular and has opened up a whole new range of customers to Rosmech.

In building on it's goal to be Australia's premier supplier of specialised road sweeping machinery and with the Mobil mechanical sweeper no longer being manufactured Rosmech sought out a company with a range of products to complement the Scarab range of sweepers. A trend had developed in Australia towards the re-generative air type sweeper which suited the needs of some customers, in keeping with it's philosophy of being able to offer the best sweeper for the job Rosmech have joined with the Elgin Sweeper company to bring Elgin's range of road sweepers to Australia.

Elgin is North America's largest manufacturer of road sweeping machines and offers a range of suction, regenerative air and mechanical sweepers. With this new range of sweepers in it's stable it is fair to say that Rosmech now has Australia's most extensive range of road sweepers.

With an excellent range of quality equipment and prompt, professional after sales support the future looks bright for Rosmech in the Australian sweeper sales business.







SGARAB MINOR

COMPACT URBAN / PRECINCT SWEEP

The Scarab Minor has proved itself to be an outstanding compact urban-road / precinct sweeper, to users all around the globe for over 20 years. In this time it has evolved to become one of the most versatile sweepers in its class. The Minor is powered by a Euro VM 3.0 litre turbo-diesel engine which is coupled to Scarab's well proven hydrostatic drive train. With its rugged chassis frame construction, greater road speed, compact dimensions, excellent payload capacity and large water tank, the Minor is capable of a greater work rate than any of its peers.

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MINOR KEY FEATURES

Hopper Construction	Stainless Steel
Hopper Capacity	2.0m3
Power Source	3.0 litre turbo diesel
Water Tank	420 Litres
Sweep Width	2170mm
Chassis GVM	3.5/4.2 tonne
Control System	CANbus Technology
Wander Hose	4 Metre
Dust Supression	Fitted to all brushes/suction nozzles

The standard 3.5 tonne* GVW Minor is the most versatile urban/precinct sweeper in the world. The reason for the Minor's reputation is its unrivalled specification including a large 2.0 m³ capacity hopper, fitted with access doors on either side, a rust-proof water tank of 420 litres and a heavy duty water pump powering the low-pressure front spray bar, brush and suction nozzle jets. Add a wander hose, to clean awkard areas or empty gully pots and its unique four-brush sweeping pattern, giving a sweep width of up to 2.17 metres and the result is an unrivalled level of performance.

* A 4.2 tonne public works option is also available.

With a full range of options from a streetwash conversion kit to cab air-conditioning, it is a full-size sweeper in a small package. The Minor is ideal for many applications from pavement to heavy-duty street cleansing and from produce & packaging warehouses to parks and airport perimeters.

With a 40 mph travel speed using the efficient Euro 4 VM power unit, single-pedal control, compact dimensions and a unique sweeping pattern allied to outstanding versatility, the Scarab Minor represents class-leading performance no matter how you choose to measure it.

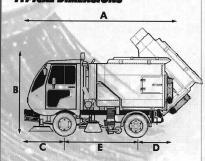


And now the Minor has the tried and tested Scarab CANbus control system, complete with the same self-test and fault diagnosis technology as the rest of the Scarab range.

HIGH PRESSURE WATER PUMP 150 bar FRONT MOUNTED SPRAY BARS STREET WASH CONVERSION KIT HAND LANCE (13 metre hose, self-retracting) **DETERGENT INJECTION KIT FOR LANCE HYDRANT, STANDPIPE, KEY & 3m Hose CAMERA SYSTEMS** HAND WASH BASIN **CAB AIR CONDITIONING**

SWEEP WIDTHS

SUCTION NOZZLE ONLY SUCTION NOZZLE & CHANNEL BRUSH SUCTION NOZZLE. CHANNEL BRUSH & WIDE SWEEP BRUSH FRONT BRUSH, SUCTION NOZZLE, CHANNEL BRUSH & **BOTH FRONT BRUSHES,** SUCTION NOZZLE CHANNEL BRUSH & WIDE SWEEP BRUSH



Overall Length Overall Height Front Overhang Rear Overhang Wheelbase Tipping Height Overall Width Turning Circle

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TE	CHNICAL DATA	PRINCIPAL DIMENSIONS		
ENGINE	VM D754 EURO 4 4- CYLINDER INTERCOOLED TURBO-CHARGED HDI DIESEL	HOPPER CAPACITY STANDARD OPTIONAL HI-TIP	2.0 m3 1.6 m3	
BORE	94 mm	VEHICLE HEIGHT	2245 mm	
STROKE	107 mm	VEHICLE WIDTH	1650 mm	
CAPACITY	2970 cc	VEHICLE LENGTH	4230 mm	
MAXIMUM POWER	62 kW / 84 BHP @ 2300 RPM	TURNING CIRCLE	8.5 m (kerb - kerb)	
COOLING SYSTEM	LIQUID COOLED, HYDRAULIC FAN	GVW	3500 / 4200 kg ¹	
AIR CLEANER	CYCLONIC WITH MAIN & SAFETY	GTW	4900 kg	
	ELEMENT	UNLADEN WEIGHT	2650 kg ²	
EXHAUST	VERTICAL STACK	FRONT AXLE PLATED WEIGHT	1800 kg	
FUEL SYSTEM	60 LITRE FUEL TANK WITH IN-LINE FILTER AND WATER SEPARATOR	REAR AXLE PLATED WEIGHT	2600 kg	
TRAVEL SPEED	0 - 65 k/h (40 mph)	1 = UK Public Works only (contact Sales Dept for condition		
SWEEP SPEED	0 - 16 k/h (10 mph)	2 = Dependent upon specification and options selected.		

OPTIONS:

High-tip Hopper

High-pressure Water Pump. 21 litres per minute @ 150 bar with 13 metres of hose on retractable hose reel and hand lance. Can also be fitted with front spray bar with 5-nozzles providing a spray pattern 1.75 m wide, with adjustable height if required

Streetwash Conversion. Includes 1000 litre water bag, stainless steel 9-nozzle spray bar providing a spray pattern 1.75 m wide and in-cab controls for spray bar lift and slew.

Detergent Injection Kit for the hand lance (Available only with high pressure water system.)

Hydrant Adaptor, Standpipe, Key and 3 m of 2 inch (50 mm) Layflat Hose

Spare Wheel (loose or with carrier) - **Extra Beacons** (or alternative types, e.g. Xenon)

Sweep / Wash Facility - Dual-sweep Version - Tool Basket (on front of hopper)
In-cab Air Conditioning - Driver and Passenger Head Restraints
Fire extinguisher - First Aid Kit - Cab Fan

Other options and operator specific requirements available upon request.

Scarab Sweepers are dedicated to continuous product development and as such we reserve the right to change this specification without prior notice.

To ensure latest information contact Sales Department



Pattenden Lane, Marden, Tonbridge, Kent. TN12 9QD

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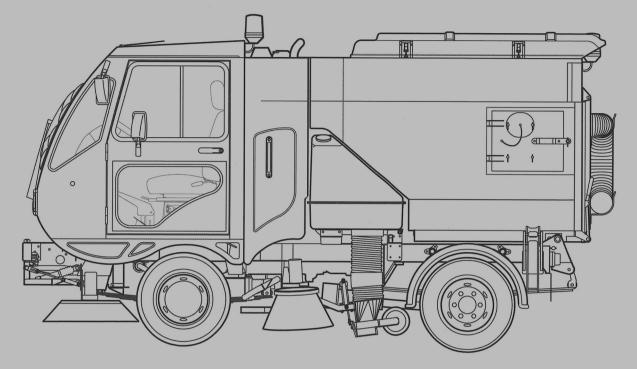
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Technical Specification



Scarab Minor VM - Euro 4 Hydrostatic



The **Scarab Minor VM Hydrostatic** Sweeper is one of the most powerful compact urban road and precinct sweepers, incorporating the latest in technology and design. The Minor is powered by a VM Motori 3.0 litre turbo-charged Euro 4 diesel engine with high-pressure direct injection (HDI) to reduce both fuel consumption and exhaust emissions.

The Scarab hydrostatic drive system gives the vehicle a travel speed of 65 kph and a gradeability of 25% (1 in 4). The hydraulic drive is controlled by a proven electronic system that optimises the engine power, to give very smooth acceleration/deceleration and variable governed engine speed for sweeping with the additional benefit of cruise control. The sweeper is mounted on a 4200/3500 kg¹ G.V.W. sprung chassis. The standard vehicle is supplied with a fully equipped cab, power steering and servo-assisted brakes.

Technical innovation and advanced design make the Scarab Minor VM an extremely versatile compact urban/precinct sweeper, capable of undertaking most arduous sweeping tasks including those normally undertaken by larger truck-mounted sweepers.

CAB: The fully appointed rubber mounted and sound insulated custom cab is manufactured from corrosion resistant steel. A gas-strut assisted tilt mechanism and safety prop afford easy and safe access to the engine for servicing. Standard features include cloth covered adjustable driver's seat and cloth covered passenger seat laminated windscreen and rear window, sliding side windows and a glazed lower panel in each door.

CHASSIS: The Scarab Minor VM chassis has been designed specifically for sweeper applications. Constructed from high tensile steel channel-section to withstand the abuse of operation under the most severe conditions, it is fully sprung with shock absorbers and anti-roll bars on front and rear axles. Single front wheels and twin rear wheels give the chassis a very low footprint loading when operating on paving slabs and other surfaces. Power steering and servo-assisted front disc and rear drum brakes are also standard equipment.

FRONT AXLE: Heavy-duty steel 'I' beam rigid steer axle plated at 1800 kg, fitted with wheel hubs mounted on taper roller bearings, the kingpins being on needle bearings.

REAR AXLE: Heavy duty unit, plated at 2600 kg and fitted with fully-floating hubs and differential with a ratio of 5.13: 1.

BRAKES: Servo assisted hydraulic vertical split layout, incorporating load apportioning valve on rear axle. Cable operated parking brake to rear wheels. 276 mm diameter front disc brakes and 254 mm diameter x 70 mm drum brakes on rear.

WHEELS AND TYRES: Front axle - Single 14 x 5.5 J 6-stud wheels, rear axle - Twin 14 x 5.5 J 6-stud wheels with 195R14 tubeless radial tyres all round.

CAB EQUIPMENT FITTINGS			
MIRRORS	2 REAR VIEW + 2 SWEEPING		
WINDSCREEN WIPERS	SINGLE SELF PARKING PANTOGRAPH TYPE		
STEERING COLUMN- MOUNTED CONTROLS INDICATORS - HORN - HEADLIGHTS FLASH, DIP & MAIN BEAM - SIDE-LIGHTS AND WINDSCREEN WASH-WIPE CONTROL LEVER FOR SELECTING FORWARD / NEUTRAL / REVERSE			
INSTRUMENTATION	ERGONOMICALLY DESIGNED PANEL CONTAINING: GAUGES FOR FUEL - COOLANT TEMPERATURE & ALL WARNING LIGHTS SCARAB CANDUS SWEEPING CONTROL PANEL WITH LCD SCREEN TO INDICATE: ENGINE HOURS - ENGINE SPEED - SWEEP SPEED - FAN SPEED - SWEPT DISTANCE		
VENTILATION	3-SPEED FRESH-AIR HEATING & VENTILATION SYSTEM		
MISCELLANEOUS	CENTRALLY LOCATED PARKING BRAKE - DRIVER'S SUN VISOR DRIVER & PASSENGER INERTIA-REEL SEATBELTS - ASHTRAY - INTERIOR LIGHT UNDER-SEAT TOOL BOX - STEREO RADIO/CD PLAYER - HAZARD WARNING LIGHTS		

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM: Fully colour coded. Negative earth - 12 volt 100 Ah maintenance-free battery. The VM engine is equipped with a 105 Amp Alternator and a 2.3 kW Starter Motor. The system is fully protected via an in-cab fuse box. Full Road Lighting - Reverse Bleeper - Rotating

ENGINE: Turbocharged VM Motori 3.0 litre D754 EU4 diesel engine with direct injection (HDI). Meets the latest Euro 4 regulations, ensuring reduced fuel consumption and exhaust emissions. Maximum torque is 270 Nm at 1350 rpm and power output is 62 kW at 2300 rpm.

TRANSMISSION: Scarab-designed, continuously variable hydrostatic transmission comprising hydraulic pumps coupled directly to engine and powering a hydraulic motor driving the rear axle via a propeller shaft. Vehicle speed is controlled by a single electronic foot pedal through an electronic processor, which accurately matches engine speed to the hydrostatic drive, ensuring smooth acceleration and maximum economy. The drive system has two operating modes, as above, for driving and a sweeping mode that enables the engine rpm to be set to optimum for brush and suction fan drive. The foot pedal then only controls the vehicle sweeping speed via the hydrostatic system. An anti-stall device is fitted to prevent overloading the engine. Forward and reverse are selected by a single control lever mounted on the steering column. Cruisecontrol is fitted to sweep mode for added convenience.

HYDRAULIC SYSTEM: All hydraulic power is supplied by tandem-mounted pumps directly connected to the rear of the transmission pump. The first is a variable displacement axial piston pump with automatic control of output and pressure for driving the suction fan. The second is a aear pump, with output controlled by a valve block mounted behind the cab, to power all sweeping equipment. All services to the brushes and rams are controlled from the CANbus panel in the cab. The hydraulic system is protected by 10 micron filters to ensure long life to all components and has an oil cooler on the vehicle gantry. Where possible the hydraulic system is routed in steel pipes to ensure a long service life.

SUCTION FAN: The suction fan is mounted in the hopper top with a direct drive axial-piston hydraulic motor with an operating speed of 2000 rpm. The fan is a dynamically balanced multiblade centrifugal unit of 700 mm diameter giving a nominal air flow up to 6000 c.f.m. Mounting the suction fan in the hopper top makes the Scarab Minor extremely efficient, significantly reducing the overall power demands on the engine.

SUCTION NOZZLE: Of rugged steel construction and mounted in a trailed frame with 200 mm diameter rubber tyred wheels. The 490 mm wide suction nozzle is connected to the hopper via a 200 mm diameter flexible suction hose and is fitted with replaceable and adjustable rubber flaps. Flap/ground clearance is 15 - 20 mm giving excellent flap life with less need for adjustment. The

suction nozzle front-flap lifts to allow large objects such as cans, bottles or brick rubble to be swept. The suction nozzle is fitted with 3 manually adjustable water spray jets for dust suppression.

SID RUSH: A 500 mm dia. steel-tined brush with direct-drive hydraulic motor, fitted with trailed linkage, kick-back protection, hydraulic rams for brush in/out and raise/lower. A water spray jet is provided for local dust suppression and a work light is fitted to assist operation in low light conditions.

FRONT BRUSHES: Two 700 mm diameter front brushes with polypropylene bristles, both with direct-drive hydraulic motors. Fully floating on trailed linkages to prevent damage. The nearside brush is adjustable for swing-in and out from the cab to vary sweeping width. Each brush has a dust suppression water spray jet and a work light, to assist operation in low light conditions.

WIDESWEEP: Comprises 320 mm diameter polypropylene segments with a direct-drive hydraulic motor. Fully floating with shock absorbers to prevent bounce, and fitted with trailed linkage to ensure parallel even brush wear. Integral dust flap.

WATER PUMP: An electric commercial-duty, self-priming, multi-chamber diaphragm pump, fully protected from thermal overload. Fitted with suction filter, pressure regulator and solenoid valves operated from the instrument panel for the front spray bar, brushes and suction nozzle. Output is rated at 12 litres per minute @ 50 p.s.i. (3.5 bar).

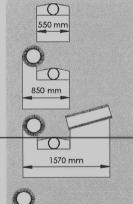
WANDER HOSE: A 4 metre long, lightweight, flexible suction hose of 150 mm diameter (includes aluminium entry tube) for cleaning awkward areas or gullies. The hopper incorporates connection points on the rear door and at either side of the body. The wander hose can be used simultaneously while sweeping, or on its own for more powerful suction.

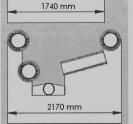
HOPPER: Constructed from corrosion and abrasion resistant hi-chromium steel including the hopper top and fan case. It is fitted with large access doors on either side for hand-loading of bulky objects. Hydraulic tipping ram for safe discharge. Easily removed filter screens with a large surface area constructed from pleated, perforated steel.

WATER TANK: A 420 litre corrosion resistant glass-reinforced plastic (GRP) water tank mounted behind the cab with a large filling cap and optional hydrant filling facility, fitted with suction strainer and sight gauge.

PAINTING: Two-pack system single colour. Optional multicolour and sign writing.

SWEEPING WIDTHS





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SUCTION NOZZLE ONLY

SUCTION NOZZLE AND SIDE CHANNEL BRUSH

SUCTION NOZZLE. SIDE CHANNEL BRUSH AND WIDESWEEP BRUSH

SUCTION NOZZLE. NEARSIDE FRONT BRUSH. SIDE CHANNEL BRUSH AND WIDESWEEP BRUSH

SUCTION NOZZLE. BOTH FRONT BRUSHES. SIDE CHANNEL BRUSH AND WIDESWEEP BRUSH

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The steel-tined side brush, polypropylene widesweep brush and both polypropytene independently, providing a wide variety of sweeping widths and patterns enabling the Scarab Minor to adapt to a wide range of differing surface and sweeping? Releas



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Will sweep cities up to 20,000 people with one sweeper.

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SPECIFICATIONS

DIMENSIONS

Wheelbase	3365mm
Overall Sweeping Width	2032mm
With One Broom	2540mm
With Dual Brooms	3050mm
Turning Circle Radius	6200mm
Overall Length	5955mm
Overall Height	2285mm
Overall Width	2400mm

AUXILIARY ENGINE

Model	
Induction system	Turbo
Manufacturer	VM
Combustion SystemD	irect Injection Diesel
Number of cylinders	4
Displacement	169 cu.in (2.8L)
Bore	94mm
Stroke	100mm
Power Rating	65 kW @ 3000 RPM
Cooling System	Liquid Cooled
Electrical	12 Volts
Oil Filter	Full Flow / Spin-on
Air Cleaner	Dry Type / HD
Safety Shutdown	

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Starter	24 Volts
Alternator	24 Volt, 50 Amp
Battery2 @	12 Volts, 582 CCA Each
Controls	
Circuit Breakers	Resettable Type

CAB CHASSIS

Manufacturer	Isuzu
Model	NPR350
GVM	7,000 kg
Cab Type	Cab Over Engine
Engine Access	
Electrical System	24 Volts

BRAKES

Service	Vacuum	assisted	hydraulic	control
Parking	90mm d	rum brak	e on trans	mission

PROPULSION ENGINE

Manufacturer	
Model	SITEC 170 (4HE1-XS)
Number of cylinders	
Displacement	4751c
Bore x Stroke	
Power	127kW @ 2700 RPM
Torque	458 Nm @ 2400 RPM
Combustion System	Direct Injection Diese
Oil Filter	Full Flow/Spin-or
Air Cleaner	Dry Type / HD

TRANSMISSION

Type AISIN	450-43LE 4	Speed Auto
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STEERING

TypeIntegral	Power
Ratio	

DEBRIS HOPPER

SUCTION FAN

TypeWhisperWheel™ Centrifugal Fan
Drive 4 SPB Section V Belts
Max.Speed2600 RPM
Number of Blades12
Diameter760mm
Mounting 2 Sealed Bearing Units
Construction Welded Bisalloy Steel Blades

SUCTION FAN CASING

Construction	Welded Mild Steel
Liner	Replaceable Rubber
Vacuum Enhancerfo	r Light / Heavy Material

HYDRAULIC SYSTEM

Туре	Vane Pump
Fluid Capacity	60 Litres
Drive	
Filter	10 micron Spin-on
Strainer	

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SWEEPING HEAD

TypeDual Chamber rull Width Blast Offfice
Operating DirectionForward
SuspensionAdjustable Spring Balance
Full Width
Suction Hose Diameter305mm
Blast Hose Diameter305mm
Hose Construction Reinforced Moulded Rubber
SkidsMild Steel with Tungsten Carbide Inserts
ControlsHydraulic Raise & Lower

DUST CONTROL

Type	High Pressure / Low Volume
Water	500 Litres
Tank Construction.	Polyethylene
	64mm
	Electric In-Cah

GUTTER BROOM

Type	4 Segment Steel Tined
	1000mm
Speed	.Variable Non-Reversing
Tilt Adjustment	Electric In-Cab

TYRES & WHEELS

Type	Tubeless S	teel Be	elted Radials
Size Front		20	05/75R 17.5
Size Rear			
Wheels6.003	x 17.5 6	Stud	Disc Wheel

FUEL SYSTEM

TypeZex	el MI-TICS	integral	ted in	line	Diesel
Fuel/water	separator	with	warn	ing	lamp
Tank Capaci	ty	********	******	125	Litres

STANDARD EQUIPMENT

- ★ Integrated Air Conditioning ★ AM/FM Radio/ CD Player
- ★ Electrically Adjustable West Coast Mirrors
- * Fire Extinguisher in Cabin
- * Tinted Windows
- * Spare Wheel & Tyre Supplied
- * Hour Meters to Both Engines
- ★ Murphy Auxiliary Engine Safety Shutdown
- * Work Lights to each side, rear and Aux Engine Bay
- * Two Lockable Tool Boxes
- * Dual Control & Dual Sweep
- * Towing Eyes, Front & Rear
- * Seat Covers
- * Floor Mats
- * Hopper Screen Vibrator

OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT

- * Herbicide Weed Control Spray
- ★ High Pressure Water Lance
 ★ CCTV with Additional Camera to Right Hand Gutter Broom
- * Directional Arrow Bar
- * GEO Brooms
- * Windshield Sun Visor
- * Drivers Window Weather Shield
- * Heated Side Mirrors
- * Side Mounted Pit Eductor * Overhead Mounted Boom & Pit Eductor

Manufacturer reserves the right to change specifications without notification



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ATTACHMENT

TARIFF CONCESSION ORDER APPLICATION

TCO WORDING

Applicant:

Rosmech Sales & Service Pty Ltd

Applicant reference:

TCO-RSS-SCARAB MINOR

General description

of goods:

Compact Street Sweepers

DESCRIPTION OF GOODS

Proposed wording of TCO;

SWEEPERS, SUCTION COLLECTION, ride in, comprising ALL of the following:

- (a) hopper capacity NOT greater than 2.0 cubic metres;
- (b) maximum suction mouth width NOT greater than 800 mm;
- (c) maximum horizontal wide-sweep brush diameter NOT greater than 350 mm;
- (d) maximum sweeping width NOT greater than 2 500 mm;
- (e) maximum travelling speed NOT greater than 70 kph

USES OF THE IMPORTED GOODS

Street sweeping/cleaning of smaller paved/sealed areas and streets

FOI Document#6

From:

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Sent:

Tuesdav. 18 November 2008 10:37

To: Subject:

TCO Application on Sweepers [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Security Classification:

UNCLASSIFIED

Hello s47F

We have received your TCO Application on behalf of Rosmech Sales and Service

The receipt date is the 18th of November 2008

A acknowledgement will follow via the post at a later date

Regards

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Senior Customs Officer

Tariff Concessions Section

Trade Services Branch

Australian Customs Service

Canberra ACT

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20 November 2008

s47F

SMITH CHANNON & CO NOMINEES PO BOX 3125 PORT ADELAIDE SA 5015

Dear s47F

TARIFF CONCESSION SYSTEM APPLICATION ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Your application for a Tariff Concession Order, details of which are shown below, was received in this office on 18 November 2008. The TC number TC 0840179 has been allocated to your application.

Date Received:

18 November 2008

Applicant: Goods:

ROSMECH SALES & SERVICE PTY LTD SUCTION COLLECTION SWEEPERS

Applicant ABN/CAC

86093128271/001

Yours sincerely,

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Senior Customs Officer
Tariff Concessions Section
Trade Services Branch

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TC Number 0840179 Please provide a Tariff Classification for the goods subject of this Tariff Concession application TC Officer: **OP Date:** 18-Nov-08 APPLICANT: Rosmech GOODS: **Suction Collection Sweepers** Level 4 Officer: Date: **CLAIMED CLASSIFICATION:** 8705.90.00 Date to Classification Section: 01:12:08 Required Return Date: Date to Class plus 3 TA No. & CLASSIFICATION: 870S **CLASSIFICATION DECISION:** IS TCO RESTRICTED BY REG. 185? SCETION COLCEGION **IDENTIFICATION OF GOODS: HEADINGS CONSIDERED:** COMMENTS AND CHAPTER NOTES:

RETURNED TO TARIFF CONCESSIONS BY:

NAME & DATE:

Department of Home Affairs

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Schedule 4 Item Number

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Street sweeping/cleaning of smaller paved/sealed areas and streets

Applicant:

ROSMECH SALES & SERVICE PTY LTD



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TCOs existing		NO
Tariff Advice		NO
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11 December 2008

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TARIFF CONCESSION SYSTEM APPLICATION ACCEPTANCE

our application for Tariff Concession Order (TCO) Number TC 0840179 has been accepted by 1stoms as a valid application. The application will be published in Gazette Number TC08/50 of December 2008. Details of the gazette notice are shown in the attachment.

ease examine the wording of the gazette notice and advise Customs immediately if the ording does not accurately describe the goods for which a TCO has been sought. This is a rification of agreed wording not an opportunity to further amend.

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Applicant:

ROSMECH SALES & SERVICE PTY LTD

TARIFF CONCESSION ORDER

Under Section 269P of the Customs Act 1901, I, declare that the goods specified in Column 1 of THE TABLE are goods to which the item in Part III of Schedule 4 to the Customs Tariff Act 1995 specified in Column 2 of THE TABLE applies. This Order shall have effect from 18.11.08 and continue in force until revoked under sections 269SC or 269SD of the Act, or the date, if any, specified in Column 2.

THE TABLE

COLUMN 1
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Customs Tariff Classification

COLUMN 2 Schedule 4 Item Number Last date of effect

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THE SMITH CHANNON TRUST PO BOX 3125 PORT ADELAIDE SA 5015

Dear^{s47}

TARIFF CONCESSION SYSTEM APPLICATION SUCCESSFUL

I refer to your application for Tariff Concession Order (TCO) Number TC 0840179 lodged on 18 November 2008.

As a delegate of the Chief Executive Officer I am satisfied that the application meets the core criteria on the basis of section 269C of the *Customs Act 1901* and have accordingly made a written Tariff Concession Order.

The decision to make a TCO will be published in Gazette Number TC09/06 of 11 February 2009.

The TCO, as detailed in the attachment, will also be published in the Schedule of Concessional Instruments as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

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Delegate of the Chief Executive Officer



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EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Tariff Concession Instrument No. 0840179

Customs Act 1901

Background

Part XVA of the *Customs Act 1901* (the Act) sets out a scheme under which Tariff Concession Orders (TCOs) may be made by the Chief Executive Officer of Customs (the CEO). A lower rate of customs duty applies to goods that are the subject of a TCO.

Under section 269F of the Act, a person may apply to the CEO for a TCO in respect of goods. If the CEO is satisfied that the application is not in respect of goods specified in section 269SJ of the Act, which sets out those goods that cannot be subject to a TCO, the CEO must decide whether the application meets the core criteria.

Section 269C of the Act provides that a TCO application meets the core criteria if, on the day on which the application was lodged, no substitutable goods were produced in Australia in the ordinary course of business. Section 269B of the Act provides that 'goods produced in Australia' has the meaning given by section 269D, 'ordinary course of business' has the meaning given by section 269E and 'substitutable goods' in respect of goods the subject of a TCO application, means goods produced in Australia that are put, or are capable of being put, to a use that corresponds with a use (including a design use) to which the goods the subject of the application can be put.

Subsection 269P(3) of the Act provides that if the CEO is satisfied that a TCO application meets the core criteria, the CEO must make a written order (a TCO) declaring that the goods the subject of the TCO application are goods to which a prescribed item of Schedule 4 to the *Customs Tariff Act 1995* (the Tariff) specified in the order applies.

Rosmec Sales & Services Pty Ltd applied for a TCO in respect of certain suction collection sweepers on 18 November 2008.

Instrument

TCO No 0840179 was made on 06 February 2009. It declares that those certain suction collection sweepers are goods to which item 50 of Schedule 4 to the Tariff applies since the CEO was satisfied that no substitutable goods were produced in Australia. The general rate of duty on these goods is 5%. The rate of duty for the goods subject to the TCO is free.

Consultation

Subsection 269K(1) of the Act provides in part that as soon as practicable after accepting a TCO application as a valid application, the CEO must publish a notice in the Gazette which includes an invitation to any person who considers that there are reasons why the TCO should not be made to lodge a submission with the CEO. The CEO did not receive any submissions in response to this invitation.

Commencement

Subsection 269S(1) relevantly provides that a TCO is to be taken to have come into force on the day on which the application for the TCO was lodged. TCO No. 0840179 is taken to have come into force on 18 November 2008.

The TCO does not affect the rights of a person (other than the Commonwealth) as at the date of registration so as to disadvantage that person or impose liabilities on a person (other than the Commonwealth) in respect of anything done or omitted to be done before the date of registration. The rights of importers will be beneficially affected. Under paragraph 126(1)(r) of the Regulations, importers of such goods will be able to apply for a refund of duty on goods imported since the day on which the TCO is taken to have come into force. The TCO does not impose any liabilities on any person.