



ANTI-DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2016/104

Deep Drawn Stainless Steel Sinks

Exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China

Initiation of an exemption inquiry EX0047

Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Act 1975

I, Dale Seymour, the Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission have initiated an exemption inquiry in relation to certain goods the subject of anti-dumping measures applying to deep drawn stainless steel sinks (the goods) exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China (China).

The exemptions being investigated are under paragraphs 8(7)(a) and 10(8)(a) of the *Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Act 1975* (Dumping Duty Act). In accordance with these provisions the Assistant Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science and Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science (Parliamentary Secretary)¹ may exempt goods from dumping and countervailing duties where satisfied:

'that like or directly competitive goods are not offered for sale in Australia to all purchasers on equal terms under like conditions having regard to the custom and usage of trade'.

The Anti-Dumping Measures

Anti-dumping measures, in the form of a dumping duty notice and a countervailing duty notice, were initially imposed on deep drawn stainless steel sinks by public notice on 26 March 2015 by the then Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry and Science following findings and recommendations in *Anti-Dumping Commission Report No. 238* (REP 238).

The dumping duty and countervailing duty that had been determined was an amount worked out in accordance with the ad valorem duty method.

The goods to which the current anti-dumping measures apply (the goods) are:

¹ The Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science has delegated responsibility with respect to anti-dumping matters to the Parliamentary Secretary, and accordingly, the Parliamentary Secretary is the relevant decision maker. On 19 July 2016, the Prime Minister appointed the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science as the Assistant Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science.

Deep drawn stainless steel sinks with a single deep drawn bowl having a volume of between 7 and 70 litres (inclusive), or multiple drawn bowls having a combined volume of between 12 and 70 litres (inclusive), with or without integrated drain boards, whether finished or unfinished, regardless of type of finish, gauge, or grade of stainless steel and whether or not including accessories.

The Exemption Goods

The goods the subject of the exemption inquiry (the exemption goods) are lipped laundry tubs used in the production of laundry cabinets.

The exemption goods are classified within tariff subheading 7324.10.00 (statistical code 52), in Schedule 3 of the *Customs Tariff Act 1995*.

The exemption inquiry will examine whether the exemption goods satisfy the conditions of paragraphs 8(7)(a) and 10(8)(a) of the Dumping Duty Act.

This Inquiry

As a result of information provided in the Anti-Dumping Commission's (the Commission's) current review of the anti-dumping measures (Case 352), the Commission identified that like or directly competitive goods to the imported goods (the exemption goods) may not be available in Australia.

After making inquiries of the Australian industry producing deep drawn stainless steel sinks and other interested parties, I will recommend to the Parliamentary Secretary whether the exemption goods should be exempted from the anti-dumping measures.

Public Record

There is no legislative requirement to maintain a public record for exemption inquiries. However, in the interests of ensuring this process is conducted in an open and transparent manner, a public record for this inquiry may be examined at the Commission's office by contacting the case manager on the details provided below. Alternatively, the public record is accessible at www.adcommission.gov.au.

The public record will contain, among other things, a copy of all non-confidential submissions from interested parties.

Lodgment of Submissions

Interested parties are invited to lodge written submissions concerning this inquiry no later than the close of business on 31 October 2016, addressed to:

The Director – Operations 2
Anti-Dumping Commission
GPO Box 1632
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or email at Operations2@adcommission.gov.au, or fax to (03) 8539 2499 or +61 3 8539 2499 (outside Australia).

Interested parties wishing to participate in the inquiry must ensure that submissions are lodged promptly.

Interested parties claiming that information contained in their submission is confidential, or that the publication of the information would adversely affect their business or commercial interests, must:

- (i) provide a summary containing sufficient detail to allow a reasonable understanding of the substance of the information that does not breach that confidentiality or adversely affect those interests; or
- (ii) satisfy me that there is no way such a summary can be given to allow a reasonable understanding of the substance of the information.

Submissions containing confidential information must be clearly marked "For Official Use Only".

Interested parties must lodge a non-confidential version or a summary of their submission in accordance with the requirement above (clearly marked "PUBLIC RECORD").

Report to the Parliamentary Secretary

Submissions received in the timeframe stated above will be taken into account in completing the report and recommendation to the Parliamentary Secretary. There is no legislated timeframe for this process.

Anti-Dumping Commission contact

Enquiries about this notice may be directed to the case manager on telephone number 03 8539 2470, fax number (03) 8539 2499 or +61 3 8539 2499 (outside Australia) or email at Operations2@adcommission.gov.au.

Dale Seymour
Commissioner
Anti-Dumping Commission

11 October 2016