



ANTI-DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2015/74

Zinc coated (galvanised) steel

Exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China, the Republic of Korea and Taiwan

Initiation of an exemption inquiry

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 zinc coated (galvanised) steel exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China (China), the Republic of Korea (Korea) and Taiwan.

The exemption being sought is under paragraphs 8(7)(a) and 10(8)(a) of the *Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Act 1975* (Dumping Duty Act). Under these provisions the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry and Science (Parliamentary Secretary) 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 zinc coated (galvanised) steel by public notice on 5 August 2013 by the then Attorney-General following consideration of *International Trade Remedies Branch Report No. 190* (REP 190) and *International Trade Remedies Branch Report No. 193* (REP 193).

Exports from China, Korea and Taiwan are subject to dumping duty and exports from China are subject to countervailing duty. A number of exporters are exempt from the duties. Certain goods subject to specified Tariff Concession Orders are also exempt from the duties. Details of these exemptions can be found in the Dumping Commodity Register on the Commission's website at <http://www.adcommission.gov.au/measures/Pages/default.aspx>

The Exemption Goods

The goods the subject of the exemption inquiry (the exemption goods) are:

STEEL, flat rolled, non-alloy, hot dipped galvanized, in lengths, having ALL of the following:

- (a) yield strength NOT less than 250 MPa and NOT greater than 350 MPa;*
- (b) tensile strength NOT less than 315 MPa and NOT greater than 430 MPa;*
- (c) elongation NOT less than 30%;*
- (d) total coating mass NOT less than 300 g/m²;*
- (e) in ANY of the following sizes:*
 - (i) width 40mm and thickness 4.0mm*
 - (ii) width 50mm and thickness 4.0mm*
 - (iii) width 50mm and thickness 8.0mm*

With tolerances allowable for specification (e) being:

- (a) thickness +/- 10%*
- (b) width +/- 10%*

The exemption goods are classified to tariff subheading 7212.30.00 (statistical code 61) of Schedule 3 to the *Customs Tariff Act 1995*. For these goods the general rate of duty is currently five per cent for goods imported from Korea and Taiwan and free for imports from China.

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.

The Current Inquiry

An application for exemption has been made to the Anti-Dumping Commission (the Commission) by The Trade Consultant. The applicant claims that there is no Australian producer of like or directly competitive goods to the exemption goods.

After making inquiries of the Australian industry producing zinc coated (galvanised) steel 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 will be made available and accessible at www.adcommission.gov.au

The public record will contain, among other things, a copy of the application and a copy of all 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 1 July 2015, addressed to:

The Director
Operations 9
Anti-Dumping Commission
Level 5
224 Bunda St
Canberra ACT 2601

or email at Operations9@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 in (i) (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 02 6102 9947, fax number (03) 8539 2499 or +61 3 8539 2499 (outside Australia) or email at Operations9@adcommission.gov.au.

Dale Seymour
Commissioner
Anti-Dumping Commission

10 June 2015