



Australian Government  
Department of Industry,  
Science and Resources

Anti-Dumping  
Commission

# **ANTI-DUMPING NOTICE NO 2022/066**

## **Precision Pipe and Tube Steel**

### **Exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China and the Republic of Korea**

### **Findings of Exemption Inquiry No. 0086**

*Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Act 1975*

I, Dr Bradley Armstrong PSM, the Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission, have completed exemption inquiry EX0086. This inquiry is about precision pipe and tube steel (the goods) exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China (China) and the Republic of Korea (ROK) subject to anti-dumping measures.

The exemptions were sought under sections 8(7)(a) and 10(8)(a) of the *Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Act 1975* (Dumping Duty Act). Under these provisions the Minister for Industry and Science (the Minister) may exempt goods from interim dumping duty and dumping duty, and interim countervailing duty and countervailing duty (collectively, the duties) if 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 countervailing duty notice, were initially imposed on the goods by public notice on 27 September 2021. This followed the then Acting Minister for Industry, Science and Technology's consideration of *Anti Dumping Commission Report No. 550*. The dumping duty notice applies to all exporters from China and the ROK. The countervailing duty notice applies to all exporters from China, other than Dalian Steelforce Hi-Tech Co., Ltd and Yantai Aoxin International Trade Co., Ltd. Further details about the anti-dumping measures and the duties is available on the Anti-Dumping Commission (the commission) website: [www.adcommission.gov.au](http://www.adcommission.gov.au).

The goods subject to measures may be classified under the following subheadings in Schedule 3 of the *Customs Tariff Act 1995*:

Tariff Subheading	Statistical Code	Description
7306		OTHER TUBES, PIPES AND HOLLOW PROFILES (FOR EXAMPLE, OPEN SEAM OR WELDED, RIVETED OR SIMILARLY CLOSED), OF IRON OR STEEL:
7306.30.00		Other, welded, of circular cross-section, of iron or non-alloy steel:
	30	Not exceeding 21 mm external diameter
7306.50.00		
	45	<i>Other, welded, of circular cross-section, of other alloy steel</i>
7306.6		Other, welded, of non-circular cross-section
7306.61.00		<i>Of square or rectangular cross-section, of iron or non-alloy steel, not exceeding 279.4 mm perimeter:</i>
	21	Wall thickness not exceeding 2 mm

**Table 1: General tariff classification for the goods**

### **The exemption goods**

The goods the subject of the application for exemption (the exemption goods) are:

Curtain rods that have a 16 mm outside diameter and a 0.4 mm gauge/wall thickness. They come in both powder-coated (Black/White/Ivory) and electroplated (Brushed Chrome).

The curtain rods come in lengths 1.5, 2.0, 2.5 and 3.0 metres, and are individually heat/shrink wrapped and labelled.

The curtain rods are made of A class hot-rolled strip metal comprising of 0.12% Carbon and are made using a roll forming process and a longitudinal welding technique.

### **The inquiry**

An application was lodged by Pillar Products Pty Ltd and Taskmaster Hardware Australia Pty Ltd (the applicants). After examining the application, I initiated an exemption inquiry.

I made a recommendation to the Minister that he exempt the exemption goods from the duties in accordance with sections 8(7)(a) and 10(8)(a) of the Dumping Duty Act. The reasons for my recommendation are set out in *Exemption Inquiry Report No 0086* (EX0086).

The Minister has accepted my recommendation and has exempted the exemption goods from the duties through *Ministerial Exemption Instrument No 1 of 2022*. The exemption takes effect from 29 September 2021. A copy of EX0086 and the exemption instrument is available on the commission website.

### **Further Information**

If importers believe that goods they are importing are exempted from the duties in accordance with the exemption instrument, when they or their broker enter these goods for home consumption via the Integrated Cargo System, the exemption category 'GOODS' should be selected and no interim dumping or interim countervailing duties will be applied to the shipment.

Parties seeking a refund of the duties already paid should contact the commission's client support team on 13 28 46 or +61 2 6213 6000 or email: [clientsupport@adcommission.gov.au](mailto:clientsupport@adcommission.gov.au).

The decision to grant the exemptions does not prevent further applications for exemptions from the duties being considered. Parties can apply for an exemption where they believe their goods satisfy any of the conditions for exemption detailed in sections 8(7) and 10(8) of the Dumping Duty Act. Further information on the application process can be found on the commission's website.

The exemption granted as a result of this inquiry may be subject to review and may be revoked by the Minister if circumstances change.

**Anti-Dumping Commission contact**

Enquiries about this notice may be directed to the Commission on 13 28 46 or for international callers on +61 2 6213 6000 or by email at [clientsupport@adcommission.gov.au](mailto:clientsupport@adcommission.gov.au).

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