



INVESTIGATION INTO ALLEGED DUMPING OF ZINC COATED (GALVANISED) STEEL FROM INDIA AND THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

NOTE FOR FILE - EXTENSIONS TO EXPORTER QUESTIONNAIRE

Background

On 11 July 2014, the date of initiation of the above investigation, the Anti-Dumping Commission (the Commission) wrote to all known potential exporters of zinc coated (galvanised) steel from India and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam (Vietnam). This letter advised each entity of the initiation of the investigation and invited parties to cooperate with the investigation through the completion of an Exporter Questionnaire, available from the Commission on request or for download from the Commission's website (www.adcommission.gov.au).

In line with its own policies, and with the requirements of the relevant World Trade Organisation agreements, the Commission set the deadline for responses to the Exporter Questionnaire as **18 August 2014**.

Several suppliers of zinc coated (galvanised) steel from both India and Vietnam have since contacted the Commission and requested extensions in time to submit a response to the Exporter Questionnaire. The Commission has considered each request on its merits, bearing in mind the requirements and timeframes of the investigation, and has granted several parties an extension to submit a response.

Reasons for requesting extensions

Reasons provided for requesting an extension in time to complete the Exporter Questionnaire included:

- annual leave of management staff;
- public holidays in both July and August 2014;
- time to complete the audit process for quarters that form part of the investigation period;
- unfamiliarity with participating in anti-dumping investigations;
- time required to explain and translate documentation for key staff that are not familiar with English;
- substantial change to the accounting system and records of co-operating entities following merger and de-merger activities; and
- difficulties generating and collating the information requested by the Exporter Questionnaire.

Extensions granted

As of **18 August 2014**, extensions to submit the Exporter Questionnaire have been granted to the following parties by the Commission.

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Entity	Extension granted
Essar Steel India Ltd.	3 September 2014
Indian Steel Corporation Limited	3 September 2014
JSW Steel Group	3 September 2014
POSCO Maharashtra Steel Pvt. Ltd.	3 September 2014
Uttam Galva Steels Ltd.	3 September 2014
China Steel Sumikin Vietnam Joint Stock Company	25 August 2014
Hoa Sen Group	25 August 2014
Nam Kim Steel Joint Stock Company	25 August 2014