Anti-Dumping Commission

ANTI-DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2018/41

Steel reinforcing bar

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Extension of time granted to issue the Final Report

in relation to three reviews of anti-dumping measures relating to Jiangsu Shagang Group Co., Ltd. (No. 411) Hunan Valin Xiangtan Iron & Steel Co., Ltd. (No. 412) and Jiangsu Yonggang Group Co., Ltd (No. 423)

Customs Act 1901 - Part XVB

On 19 May 2017, the Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission (the Commissioner) published a notice¹ announcing the initiation of two separate reviews of anti-dumping measures, in the form of a dumping duty notice, in respect of steel reinforcing bar (the goods) exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China (China) as they affect Jiangsu Shagang Group Co., Ltd. and Hunan Valin Xiangtan Iron & Steel Co., Ltd., both of whom are exporters of the goods (reviews 411 and 412).

On 29 June 2017, the Commissioner published a notice² announcing another separate review in respect of the goods exported to Australia from China as they affect Jiangsu Yonggang Group Co., Ltd., an exporter of the goods (review 423).

On 21 December 2017, SEFs 411, 412, and 423 were published. In response, the Commission received a number of submissions from relevant stakeholders. These submissions raised a number of complex issues and in order to give the Commission time to properly consider the issues and address them in full, approval was given for an extension until 6 March 2018 for the Commissioner to provide his final report and recommendations to the Assistant Minister for Science, Jobs and Innovation (Assistant Minister).

¹ Anti-Dumping Notice (ADN) No. 2017/68

² Anti-Dumping Notice (ADN) No. 2017/91. This notice also advised the initiation of a review of anti-dumping measures (Review 421) in relation to Zenith Steel Group Co., Ltd (Zenith). On 21 July 2017, Zenith withdrew its application in relation to Review 421 and the Commissioner ceased the review. See ADN No. 2017/109 for details. All ADNs are available on the Anti-Dumping Commission's website at www.adcommission.gov.au

Subsequently, and in response to the submissions received, the Commission has made significant changes to the approach used to ascertain the variable factors subject to review. In the interests of procedural fairness, the Commission will be providing the calculations underpinning these ascertained variable factors to the respective exporters for review, and therefore requires further time to complete these reviews.

For these reasons, I, Paul Sexton, General Manager of the Anti-Dumping Commission, requested an extension of the deadline for the Commissioner to provide his final reports and recommendations to the Assistant Minister under subsection 269ZHI(1)(e) of the *Customs Act 1901* (the Act).³ The Commissioner has, under subsection 269ZHI(3) of the Act, extended the deadline to provide his final report and recommendations.

A recommendation to the Assistant Minister will now be made in a report due on or before **20 March 2018**.

Documents included in the public record may be examined at the Commission's office by contacting the case manager on the details provided below. Alternatively, the public record is available at www.adcommission.gov.au. Enquiries about this notice may be directed to the case manager on telephone number 03 8539 2427 or at investigations2@adcommission.gov.au.

Paul Sexton General Manager Anti-Dumping Commission

2 March 2018

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³ On 15 December 2016, the Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission delegated his powers and functions under section 269ZHI of the *Customs Act 1901* to the General Managers of the Anti-Dumping Commission. See Anti-Dumping Notice No. 2017/10 on the Commission's website for further information.