

AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2012/50

Polyvinyl Chloride Homopolymer Resin (PVC)

Exported from the Republic of Korea Finding in relation to an investigation into dumping

CUSTOMS ACT 1901 - PART XVB

The Australian Customs and Border Protection Service (Customs and Border Protection) has completed its investigation into the dumping of polyvinyl chloride homopolymer resin (PVC) exported to Australia from the Republic of Korea (Korea). PVC is classified under sub-heading 3904.10.00, statistical code 18, in Schedule 3 to the *Customs Tariff Act 1995*. The general rate of duty for PVC from Korea is 5%.

In International Trade Remedies Branch Report No. 187 (REP 187), Customs and Border Protection recommended the publication of a dumping duty notice in respect of the goods. This Report outlines the investigations carried out by Customs and Border Protection, a statement of the reasons for the recommendations within, material findings of fact or law on which the recommendations were based and particulars of the evidence relied on to support the findings.

In REP 187, Customs and Border Protection found that:

- PVC exported from Korea to Australia was dumped with margins of 3.26%; and
- the dumped exports caused material injury to the Australian industry producing like goods; and
- continued dumping may cause further material injury to the Australian industry.

The Minister for Home Affairs (Minister) has accepted Customs and Border Protection's recommendations in relation to the dumping of the goods exported to Australia from Korea contained in REP 187. Notice of the Minister's decision was published in the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette* and *The Australian* newspaper on 19 October 2012.

Particulars of the dumping margin established for the exporters and an explanation of the methods used to compare export prices and normal values to establish the dumping margin are set out in the following table:

Exporter	Dumping Margin	Method to establish dumping margin
LG Chemicals	3.26%	Weighted average export prices were compared with weighted average corresponding normal values over the investigation period in terms of paragraph 269TACB(2)(a) of the <i>Customs Act 1901</i> (the Act).

The effective rate of interim dumping duty imposed on imports of the goods from Korea is 3.26% and applies to all exporters from Korea.

To preserve confidentiality, the export price, normal value and non-injurious price will not be published. Bona fide importers of the goods can obtain details of the rates from the Dumping Liaison Officer in their respective capital city.

Interested parties may seek a review of this decision by lodging an application with the Trade Measures Review Officer in accordance with the requirements in Division 9 of Part XVB of the Act within 30 days of the publication of the Minister's notice.

The TMRO can be contacted by phone, fax or mail:

Trade Measures Review Officer

c/- Australian Government Solicitor

Level 42 MLC Centre

19 Martin Place

Sydney NSW 2000

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REP 187 is available on the internet at www.customs.gov.au. Copies of REP 187 are also available on request from International Trade Remedies, Customs and Border Protection, by telephone (02) 6245 5434 or fax (02) 6275 6990.

Enquiries concerning this notice may be directed to the case manager on telephone number (02) 6245 5434, fax number (02) 6275 6990 or email itrops1@customs.gov.au.

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