

## **ANTI-DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2014/36**

## Quenched and Tempered Steel Plate Exported to Australia from Finland, Japan and Sweden Extension of time granted to issue the Statement of Essential Facts

## Customs Act 1901 - Part XVB

On 8 January 2014, the Anti-Dumping Commission (the Commission) published a notice announcing the initiation of an investigation into the alleged dumping of Quenched and Tempered steel plate (Q&T steel plate) exported to Australia from Finland, Japan and Sweden (the nominated countries).

A full description of the goods is available in Anti-Dumping Notice (ADN) No. 2014/01. This ADN is available on the internet at <a href="https://www.adcommission.gov.au">www.adcommission.gov.au</a>

The initiation notice advised that the statement of essential facts (SEF) for the investigation would be placed on the public record by 28 April 2014. The SEF will set out the facts on which I propose to base recommendations to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry (Parliamentary Secretary).

I have requested an extension (of 90 days) to the deadline for the publication of the SEF. The prescribed 110 days for publication of a SEF has proven insufficient in this case for the following reasons:

- delays experienced as a result of public holidays and business closures in Australia and the nominated countries;
- delays in receiving responses to exporter questionnaires which have led to flow on effects in the analysis of data and for arranging visits with exporters; and
- unprecedented increases in workload for the Commission.

The Parliamentary Secretary has, under section 269ZHI of the *Customs Act 1901*, extended the deadline for the publication of the SEF. The SEF will now be placed on the public record no later than 28 July 2014. Interested parties will be invited to make submissions to the Commission in response to the SEF within 20 days of the SEF being placed on the public record. A recommendation to the Parliamentary Secretary will now be made in a report due on or before 10 September 2014.

Documents included in the public record are available at <a href="www.adcommission.gov.au">www.adcommission.gov.au</a> Alternatively, the public record may be examined at the Commission's office by contacting the case manager on the details provided below.

Enquiries about this notice may be directed to the case manager on telephone number +61 3 9244 8229, fax number +613 9244 8902, or <a href="mailto:operations3@adcommission.gov.au">operations3@adcommission.gov.au</a>

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