AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2013/22

Zinc coated (galvanised) steel and aluminium zinc coated steel
Exported from
The People’s Republic of China

Extension of time granted to issue the Statement of Essential Facts for subsidy investigations

Customs Act 1901 – Part XVB

On 26 November 2012, the Australian Customs and Border Protection Service (Customs and Border Protection) published a notice announcing the initiation of investigations into the alleged subsidisation of zinc coated (galvanised) steel and aluminium zinc coated steel exported to Australia from the People’s Republic of China (China).

A full description of the goods is available in Australian Customs Dumping Notice (ACDN) No. 2012/56 (relating to the initiation) and ACDN No. 2012/58 (relating to the clarification of the tariff codes of the goods). This ACDN is available on the internet at http://www.customs.gov.au/anti-dumping/notices.asp.

The initiation notice advised that the statement of essential facts (SEF) for the investigation would be placed on the public record by 18 March 2013. The SEF will set out the facts on which Customs and Border Protection proposes to base its recommendations to the Minister for Home Affairs (the Minister).

Customs and Border Protection requested an extension of the deadline for the publication of the SEF due to:

- extensive investigation scope as two dumping investigations for galvanised steel and aluminium zinc coated steel involving three countries are concurrently being investigated;
- delays in receipt of questionnaire responses and undertaking verification visits to international interested parties’ premises due to availability of key personnel or public holidays; and
- the need to issue the Government of China a supplementary subsidy questionnaire.

The Minister 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 15 May 2013. Interested parties are invited to make submissions to Customs and Border Protection in response to the SEF within 20 days of the SEF being placed on the public record. A recommendation to the Minister will now be made in a report due on or
before 29 June 2013.

Documents included in the public record are available at http://www.customs.gov.au/anti-dumping/cases.asp. Alternatively, the public record may be examined at Customs House by contacting the Case Manager on the details provided below.

Enquiries about this notice may be directed to the case manager on telephone number, (02) 6275 8008 fax number (02) 6275 6990 or email itrops2@customs.gov.au

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