

Australian Government Department of Industry, Innovation and Science

Anti-Dumping Notice No. 2018/06

Certain Hollow Structural Sections

Exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China, the Republic of Korea, Malaysia and Taiwan

A further extension of time granted to issue Statement of Essential Facts and Final Report

Customs Act 1901 - Part XVB

On 14 July 2017, the Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission (Commissioner) published a notice announcing the initiation of a review of the anti-dumping measures applying to certain hollow structural sections (HSS or the goods) exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China (China), the Republic of Korea (Korea), Malaysia and Taiwan. The anti-dumping measures are in the form of a countervailing duty notice in respect of China and a dumping duty notice in respect of China, Korea, Malaysia and Taiwan.

A full description of the goods is available in Anti-Dumping Notice No. 2017/95 (initiation notice). The initiation notice is available on the Anti-Dumping Commission's (Commission) website at <u>www.adcommission.gov.au</u>

The initiation notice advised that a statement of essential facts (SEF) will be published by 1 November 2017 and a final report and recommendations to the relevant Minister would be provided by 16 December 2017. On 13 October 2017, the Commissioner approved an extension of time to publish the SEF to 18 January 2018 and provide a final report and recommendations to the relevant Minister¹ by 4 March 2018.

To properly consider the Commission's approach to a complex case involving dumping and countervailing across a number of countries and exporters, I, Geoff Gleeson, Acting General Manager of the Anti-Dumping Commission, requested a further extension of time under subsections 269ZHI(1)(d) and (e) of the *Customs Act 1901* (the Act) from the Commissioner to publish the SEF to 19 March 2018, and to provide a final report and recommendations to the Assistant Minister for Science, Jobs and Innovation and the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Jobs and Innovation (Parliamentary Secretary)² by 3 May 2018.

¹ On 15 December 2016, the Commissioner 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

² On 20 December 2017, the Prime Minister appointed the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Jobs and Innovation as the Assistant Minister for Science, Jobs and Innovation. For the purposes of this review, the Minister is the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Jobs and Innovation.

The Commissioner has, under subsection 269ZHI(3) of the Act,³ extended the deadline to publish the SEF and to provide a final report and recommendations to the Parliamentary Secretary.

The SEF will now be published on or before 19 March 2018. Interested parties are invited to make submissions to the Commissioner in response to the SEF within 20 days of the SEF being placed on the public record. The Commissioner's recommendations will now be made in a report due on or before 3 May 2018.

Documents included on 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 +61 2 6213 6965 or at investigations4@adcommission.gov.au.

Geoff Gleeson

Acting General Manager Anti-Dumping Commission

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³ On 19 January 2017, the then Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science delegated the powers and functions of the Minister under section 269ZHI of the Act to the Commissioner. See Anti-Dumping Notice 2017/10 for further information.