



Continuation Inquiry No 638

Quenched and tempered steel plate

Exported from Finland, Japan and Sweden

Questionnaire responses received and extensions of time granted

Responses received by 10 January 2024

The Anti-Dumping Commission (the commission) received questionnaire responses from the following entities:

- JFE Steel Corporation (exporter questionnaire response)
- Total Steel of Australia Pty Ltd (importer questionnaire response).

Extensions of time

The commission has received requests for extensions of time to submit responses to questionnaires. Due consideration has been given to these extension requests.¹

When considering the extension request, the *Customs (Extensions of Time and Non-Cooperation) Direction 2015* requires the Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission (the Commissioner) to:

- take into account the responsibility to conduct the case in a timely and efficient manner;
- reject a request for an extension if the request has not been made before the due date; and
- consider the reasons provided for the extension, having regard to:
 - the reasons why a response could not be provided within the whole period and not only the period remaining between the request and the due date;
 - ordinary business practices or commercial principles;
 - the commission's understanding of the relevant industry; and
 - previous correspondence from the interested party, previous dealings with the party and information provided by other interested parties.

¹ This is consistent with Article 6.1.1 of the Anti-Dumping Agreement.

PUBLIC RECORD

The commission has granted the following parties extensions to submit questionnaire responses.

Entity	Questionnaire	Extension requested	Extension granted	Revised due date
Bisalloy Steels Pty Ltd	Australian industry questionnaire	16 days	16 days	26 January 2024
SSAB ²	Exporter questionnaire	35 days	35 days	14 February 2024
SSAB	Importer questionnaire	35 days	23 days	2 February 2024

Table 1: Extensions requested and granted

Publication of questionnaire responses and uncooperative exporters

The non-confidential version of the responses to the Australian industry and exporter questionnaires will be placed on the public record, unless they contain deficiencies. If the deficiencies could be quickly and easily rectified in a further response, a reasonable timeframe will be provided to rectify the deficiencies.³ The non-confidential version of the questionnaire response will be placed on the public record after the deficiencies have been rectified.

Where an exporter provides a response to the exporter questionnaire that contains deficiencies that could not be rectified quickly and easily in a further response, the exporter may be deemed uncooperative.

Exporters that did not provide a response to the exporter questionnaire within the legislated period (by 10 January 2024) are deemed to be uncooperative.⁴

² SSAB EMEA AB and related entities ('SSAB').

³ Section 6(a) of the *Customs (Extensions of Time and Non-Cooperation) Direction 2015*.

⁴ Section 8 of the *Customs (Extensions of Time and Non-Cooperation) Direction 2015* states that the Commissioner must determine an exporter to be an uncooperative exporter if that exporter fails, within the legislated period, to provide a response or fails to request a longer period to provide a response.