



# Anti-Dumping Commission

## Investigation 692

### Certain welded steel mesh sheets

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### File note

### Meeting with Neumann Steel Pty Ltd

The Anti-Dumping Commission (the commission) met with individual members of the Steel Reinforcement Institute of Australia (SRIA) in relation to Investigation 692, concerning certain welded mesh sheets (mesh), to better understand the Australian market and the impact of imports from China and Malaysia. SRIA is a joint applicant in Investigation 692 with InfraBuild (Newcastle) Pty Ltd.

On 7 May 2026, the commission met virtually with representatives from Neumann Steel Pty Ltd (Neumann Steel).

Neumann Steel is an Australian owned and operated steel manufacturer specialising in certified concrete reinforcing steel products including welded mesh sheets.

During the meeting, Neumann Steel raised the following matters:

- regarding profitability, mesh revenue and profitability has declined despite ongoing demand in the broader construction market in Australia;
- while sales volumes showed some recovery after the investigation period, margin sustainability remains the key issue due to ongoing price pressure;
- the market has experienced sustained downward price pressure associated with low-priced imported mesh from China;
- in relation to sales volume, Neumann Steel currently has substantial available production capacity but sales volumes had not increased in line with overall market growth;
- competition from low-priced imports had affected market prices and contributed to margin erosion for locally produced mesh;
- Neumann Steel sought to retain customers through lower sales prices and reduced margins on mesh that are being lost due to imports from China;
- when discussing customer behaviour, Neumann Steel advised that some customers have switched, or considered switching mesh suppliers, due to the availability of cheaper imported mesh;
- Neumann Steel has lost tenders and large mesh supply projects to companies offering imported mesh at a lower price than local supply.

The commission requested further information and evidence from Neumann Steel to support the statements outlined above.

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