



ANTI-DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2026/118

Customs Act 1901

Customs (Preliminary Affirmative Determinations) Direction 2015

**Zinc coated (galvanised) steel exported to Australia from
the Republic of Korea by Dongkuk Coated Metal Co. Ltd,
Dongkuk Steel Mill Co Ltd and POSCO, and from
the Socialist Republic of Vietnam by Hoa Sen Group and
Nam Kim Steel Joint Stock Company
Investigation No. 706 into alleged dumping**

Day 60 Status Report

Introduction

This Status Report concerns the investigation into the alleged dumping of zinc coated (galvanised) steel exported to Australia from the Republic of Korea (Korea) by Dongkuk Coated Metal Co. Ltd, Dongkuk Steel Mill Co. Ltd and POSCO, and from the Socialist Republic of Vietnam (Vietnam) by Hoa Sen Group and Nam Kim Steel Joint Stock Company.

The report reflects the status of the investigation at day 60.

This Status Report sets out the reasons why I, David Latina, the Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission (the commission), have not made a preliminary affirmative determination (PAD) on day 60.

I note that I may make a PAD at any time from day 60 onwards if I am satisfied the requirements of section 269TD(1) of the *Customs Act 1901* (Cth)¹ have been met.

Background

On 19 June 2026, I initiated an investigation into the alleged dumping of zinc coated (galvanised) steel after BlueScope Steel Limited made an application under section 269TB. Further details can be found in the public notice published on 19 June 2026, (refer to Anti-Dumping Notice (ADN) 2026/089 at www.adcommission.gov.au).²

¹ All legislative references in this report are to the *Customs Act 1901* (Cth) unless otherwise specified.

² Electronic public record (EPR) [706](#), Item No 3.

Under section 269TD(1), I may make a PAD at any time not earlier than 60 days after I initiate an investigation in relation to the publication of a dumping duty notice, if I am satisfied that:

- there appears to be sufficient grounds for the publication of such a notice, or
- it appears that there will be sufficient grounds for the publication of such a notice subsequent to the importation into Australia of such goods.

In accordance with the *Customs (Preliminary Affirmative Determinations) Direction 2015* (the Direction), 60 days after the initiation of such an investigation I must either make a PAD or provide a Status Report outlining the reasons why I have not made a PAD.

Reasons for publishing a Status Report

In deciding whether to make a PAD on day 60 of this investigation, I have, in accordance with section 269TD(2), had regard to BlueScope Steel Limited's application and the following information received within 37 days after the date of initiation of the investigation:

- responses to the exporter questionnaire as listed below
- responses to the importer questionnaire received from 8 entities,³ and
- submissions received from Roundel Civil Products Pty Ltd, Nam Kim Steel Joint Stock Company, and MantaMesh Pty Ltd.⁴

Other matters I consider relevant

Australian industry

From 26 May 2026 to 28 May 2026,⁵ the commission conducted an on-site verification of BlueScope Steel Limited's information and data provided in support of its allegations concerning dumped imports of zinc coated (galvanised) steel. During the verification, BlueScope Steel Limited provided further information and data in support of its claims concerning injury. At the visit, BlueScope Steel Limited also revised its cost and sales data that was originally submitted in its application, which is critical to the assessment of injury. The commission is continuing to assess the information and data gathered during the on-site verification to determine whether there is any evidence of injury to the Australian industry. A verification report is close to finalisation and will be published on the EPR in due course.

Exporters

The commission invited exporters to complete an exporter questionnaire with respect to the investigation period. Responses to the exporter questionnaire were due on 27 July 2026 (day 37 of the investigation). The commission received responses to the exporter questionnaire from the following entities by 27 July 2026:

- Dongkuk Coated Metal Co. Ltd⁶
- Dongkuk Steel Mill Co Ltd
- POSCO
- Hoa Sen Group

³ Only 5 entities provided a complete response to the importer questionnaire by day 37 of the investigation. Three other entities provided partial or incomplete responses to the importer questionnaire.

⁴ EPR 706, item numbers 4, 5 and 6 respectively.

⁵ The verification undertaken from 26 May 2026 to 28 May 2026 formed part of Investigation 703 prior to its withdrawal. The information verified during that process remains relevant to matters under consideration in Investigation 706 and has been taken into account accordingly.

⁶ Dongkuk Coated Metal Co. Ltd indicated that it was the only producer of goods under consideration during the investigation period, while Dongkuk Steel Mill Co Ltd did not produce goods under consideration and therefore had no relevant production data to provide.

- Nam Kim Steel Joint Stock Company.

The commission is required to examine various issues in the investigation, including:

- export prices and normal values of the goods exported from Korea and from the Vietnam
- volumes of the goods exported to Australia from Korea and Vietnam
- the Australian market for the goods.

These issues are critical to ascertain:

- whether the goods exported to Australia from Korea and from Vietnam have been dumped at above negligible levels
- whether those goods, if dumped above negligible levels, have caused or are causing, or are threatening to cause, material injury to the Australian industry, and
- whether there are sufficient grounds for the publication of a dumping duty notice in respect of the goods exported to Australia from Korea and from Vietnam.

At this time, the commission is continuing to assess information provided by exporters, importers and the Australian industry. The commission has completed an initial review of exporter questionnaire responses and has requested additional information from certain exporters. The commission is also undertaking analysis of export prices, normal values and injury factors, including information obtained during verification activities and information received in response to questionnaires.

Given this analysis remains ongoing, I am not yet in a position to be satisfied that the requirements of section 269TD(1) have been met. Accordingly, I have decided not to make a PAD at this time.

The commission will continue its investigation and assess all relevant evidence before determining whether a PAD is warranted and in preparing the Statement of Essential Facts.

Other considerations

Relevant matters – section 269TD(2)(b)

In accordance with the Direction and for the purposes of section 269TD(2)(b), I have considered the desirability of providing relief to an injured Australian industry as quickly as possible, where warranted.

I have decided it is not yet warranted to make a PAD, at this particular time, because I am not yet satisfied that there appear to be sufficient grounds for the publication of a dumping duty notice for the reasons outlined above. I will continue to assess the need for a PAD and may make one as soon as I am satisfied there appears to be sufficient grounds to do so on the basis of the evidence before me.

Reconsideration of making a PAD – section 269TDAA

The Direction requires me to reconsider whether or not to make a PAD at least once prior to the publication of SEF required under section 269TDAA.

I am due to publish the SEF on 7 October 2026. Prior to the publication, or in the SEF, I will advise whether I made a PAD subsequent to this report and the reasons for decision.

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