

Australian Government Department of Industry, Innovation and Science

## ANTI-DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2018/118

## **Steel Reinforcing Bar**

## **Exported from the Peoples Republic of China**

Extension of time granted to issue the Statement of Essential Facts and the Final Report in relation to a Review of Anti-Dumping Measures

Customs Act 1901 - Part XVB

On 03 April 2018, the Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission (Commissioner) published a notice announcing the initiation of a review of antidumping measures, in the form of a dumping duty notice, in respect of steel reinforcing bar (the goods) exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China as they affect exporters of those goods generally.

A full description of the goods is available in that notice, Anti-Dumping Notice (ADN) No. 2018/55 (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 the statement of essential facts (SEF) would be placed on the public record on or before 22 July 2018. The initiation notice also advised that a recommendation to the Assistant Minister for Science, Jobs and Innovation (the Assistant Minister)<sup>1</sup> would be made in a final report on or before 5 September 2018.

On 6 June 2018, the Anti-Dumping Review Panel (ADRP) initiated a review of the Commissioner's decisions in Anti-Dumping Commission Review Nos. 411, 412 and 423. Review Nos 411, 412 and 423 were finalised on 20 April 2018 and are the most recently completed reviews of variable factors in relation to exporters of the goods from China. The outcome of the ADRP review will affect the approach taken by the Commission in this review.

In order for the ADRP's recommendations to the Assistant Minister to be properly taken into account as they pertain to this review, I, Paul Sexton, General Manager, Anti-Dumping Commission, requested an extension of the deadline for the Commissioner to publish the SEF and provide his final report and recommendation

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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.

to the Assistant Minister.<sup>2</sup>

The Commissioner has, under subsection 269ZHI(3) of the *Act*,<sup>3</sup> extended the deadline to publish the SEF, and provide his final report and recommendation.

The SEF will now be placed on the public record on or before **20 September 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.

A recommendation to the Assistant Minister will now be made in a report due on or before **4 November 2018**.

Documents included in 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 <u>www.adcommission.gov.au</u>.

Enquiries about this notice may be directed to the case manager on telephone number +61 3 8539 2451 or at <u>investigations2@adcommission.gov.au</u>.

Paul Sexton General Manager Anti-Dumping Commission

20 July 2018

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> On 15 December 2016, the Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> On 19 January 2017, the Assistant Minister 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.