



ANTI-DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2019/121

Deep Drawn Stainless Steel Sinks

Exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China

Extension of time granted to issue the Statement of Essential Facts and the Final Report in relation to Continuation Inquiry No. 517

Customs Act 1901 – Part XVB¹

On 3 July 2019, the Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission (Commissioner) published a notice announcing the initiation of an inquiry into whether the continuation of anti-dumping measures in respect of deep drawn stainless steel sinks (the goods) exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China (China) is justified.

A full description of the goods is available in Anti-Dumping Notice (ADN) No. 2019/086 (initiation notice). This ADN is available on the Anti-Dumping Commission's (Commission) website via www.adcommission.gov.au.

The initiation notice advised that the statement of essential facts (SEF) would be placed on the public record by 21 October 2019. The SEF will set out the facts on which the Commissioner proposes to base his recommendations to the Minister for Industry, Science and Technology (the Minister) in relation to this inquiry. The initiation notice also advised that a recommendation to the Minister would be made in a report on or before 5 December 2019.

I, Paul Sexton, General Manager, Anti-Dumping Commission, consider that an extension of the time period for the Commissioner to publish the SEF and provide his final report and recommendation to the Minister is required for the following reasons:

- the complexity of the case, coupled with limited interaction with importers and exporters since measures were imposed five years ago;
- extensions of time were provided to all selected exporters to submit responses to questionnaires and additional time required to complete verification of those exporters' data; and
- conflict between the legislated due dates and various holiday periods in both China and Australia.

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

For reasons including those provided above, I have requested extensions under subsection 269ZHI(1)(f) and subsection 269ZHI(1)(g) of the Act, of the time periods under subsection 269ZHE(1) and subsection 269ZHF(1) respectively.²

The Commissioner has, under subsection 269ZHI(3) of the Act,³ extended the time period for publishing the SEF, and the time period for providing his final report and recommendation.

The SEF will now be placed on the public record no later than Wednesday **27 November 2019**. 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 (that is, by Tuesday **17 December 2019**).

A recommendation to the Minister will now be made in a report due on or before Friday **14 February 2020**.

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 via www.adcommission.gov.au.

Enquiries about this notice may be directed to the case manager on telephone number +61 3 8539 2418 or at investigations3@adcommission.gov.au.

Paul Sexton
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Anti-Dumping Commission

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² The Commissioner delegated his powers and functions under section 269ZHI of the Act to the General Managers of the Commission. See ADN No. 2017/10 for further information.

³ The powers and functions of the Minister under section 269ZHI of the Act were delegated to the Commissioner. See ADN No. 2017/10 for further information.