



ANTI-DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2019/92

**Application for an Accelerated Review No. 519 of a
countervailing duty notice**

**Submitted by Zhejiang Huada New Materials Co., Ltd
applying to certain aluminium zinc coated steel exported to
Australia from the People's Republic of China**

Customs Act 1901 – Part XVB

Introduction

I, Dale Seymour, the Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission, have commenced an accelerated review of the anti-dumping measures applying to certain aluminium zinc coated steel (the goods) exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China (China), in so far as they relate to a new exporter, Zhejiang Huada New Materials Co., Ltd (Huada, or the applicant).

The anti-dumping measures are in the form of a dumping duty notice and a countervailing duty notice. This accelerated review is in relation to the countervailing duty notice only.¹

The lodgement date of **20 June 2019** is the commencement date of the accelerated review.²

The goods

The goods are outlined in the table below.

| Full description of the goods the subject of the application |
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| Flat rolled products of iron and non-alloy steel of a width equal to or greater than 600mm, plated or coated with aluminium-zinc alloys, not painted whether or not including resin coating. |

¹ A declaration in relation to the dumping duty notice was made separately as a result of accelerated review no. 500. Further information is available via www.adcommission.gov.au and Anti-Dumping Notice No. 2019/27.

² Subsection 269ZF(2) states that an application for accelerated review is taken to have been lodged when the application is first received by a Commission staff member doing duty in relation to applications for accelerated reviews. Subsection 269ZF(3) states that the day on which an application is taken to be lodged must be recorded on the application.

Further information

The goods description covers aluminium zinc coated steel whether or not including any (combination of) surface treatment, for instance: whether passivated or not passivated, (often referred to as chromated or unchromated); resin coated or not resin coated (often referred to as Anti Finger Print (AFP) or not AFP); oiled or not oiled; skin passed or not skin passed.

Painted aluminium zinc coated steel, pre-painted aluminium zinc coated steel and corrugated aluminium zinc coated steel are not covered by the dumping duty and countervailing duty notices.

Goods identified as aluminium zinc coated steel, as per the description above, are classified to tariff subheading 7210.61.00 (statistical codes 60, 61 and 62) in Schedule 3 to the *Customs Tariff Act 1995*.

Further details on the goods and existing measures is available on the Dumping Commodity Register on the Anti-Dumping Commission's website via (www.adcommission.gov.au).

Accelerated reviews

The legislative framework that underpins the making of, and my consideration of, an application for accelerated review of dumping duty and countervailing duty notices is contained in Divisions 1 and 6 of Part XVB of the *Customs Act 1901*.³

If I do not reject an application or terminate an accelerated review, pursuant to subsections 269ZG(1) and (2) I must, no later than 100 days after the application is lodged, provide the Minister for Industry, Science and Technology (the Minister) a report recommending:

- (a) that the countervailing duty notice the subject of the application remain unaltered;
or
- (b) that the countervailing duty notice the subject of the application be altered so as to apply to the applicant as if different variable factors had been fixed;

and set out my reasons for so recommending.

In relation to this application, this recommendation must be made no later than **30 September 2019**.⁴

There is no legislative requirement to maintain a public file for accelerated reviews. However, in the interests of transparency, a public record will be maintained. This notice, along with a non-confidential version of the application, response to the exporter questionnaire and any non-confidential submissions that are received, will be published on the public record, available via www.adcommission.gov.au.

³ Unless stated otherwise, all legislative references in this notice are to the *Customs Act 1901*.

⁴ The due date is 28 September 2019, however as this falls on a weekend, the effective due date is the following business day, 30 September 2019.

Submissions

Written submissions concerning this accelerated review must be lodged by **9 August 2019** via email to investigations3@adcommission.gov.au.

Parties claiming that information contained in their submission is confidential, or that the publication of the information would adversely affect their business or commercial interests, must:

- (i) provide a summary containing sufficient detail to allow a reasonable understanding of the substance of the information that does not breach that confidentiality or adversely affect those interests, or
- (ii) satisfy me that there is no way such a summary can be given to allow a reasonable understanding of the substance of the information.

Submissions containing confidential information must be clearly marked "**FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY**" on each page. A non-confidential version, or a summary, of the submission must also be lodged, clearly marked "**PUBLIC RECORD**" on each page.

Circumstances in which an accelerated review may be sought

Section 269ZE sets out the circumstances in which an accelerated review may be sought. If the circumstances of subsection 269ZE(2) are met, I may reject the application.

| Requirement | Finding |
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| Applicant meets the definition of new exporter ⁵ (subsection 269ZE(1)) To fall within the definition of a new exporter, the period within which the applicant must not have exported the goods to Australia is 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012 (the investigation period for the original investigations). | There is no evidence of exports by the applicant during the investigation period for the original investigations (<i>Investigation No. 190 – dumping and Investigation No. 193 – countervailing</i>). A search of the Australian Border Force's import database did not reveal the applicant as a supplier of the goods during this period. ⁶ Accordingly, I consider that the applicant should be considered a new exporter for the purposes of the accelerated review. |
| Declaration has not already been made in respect of the applicant under subsection 269ZG(3)(b) (subsection 269ZE(1)) | A declaration has already been made in respect of the applicant with respect to the dumping duty notice (Anti-Dumping Notice (ADN) No. 2019/27 refers). No such declaration has been made in respect of the applicant with respect to the countervailing duty notice (ADN No. 2019/27 refers). |
| The applicant did not refuse to co-operate, in relation to the application for publication of the notices (subsection 269ZE(2)(a)) | There is no evidence of exports by the applicant during the investigation period for the original investigations and, therefore, cooperation was not required from the applicant during the original investigations as the |

⁵ A new exporter is defined in subsection 269T(1) as, in relation to the goods the subject of the application for a dumping or countervailing duty notice or like goods, an exporter who did not export such goods to Australia at any time during the investigation period in relation to the application. Subsection 269T(1) also defines 'application' in relation to a dumping duty notice or a countervailing duty notice as meaning an application for the publication of such a notice.

⁶ Confidential Attachment 1 refers.

| Requirement | Finding |
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| | applicant would not have been identified as an exporter. Accordingly, the applicant did not refuse to cooperate with the original investigations. |
| <p>The applicant is not related to an exporter whose exports were examined in relation to the application for publication of the notices (subsection 269ZE(2)(b))</p> <p><i>Subsection 269ZE(4) provides that, for the purposes of section 269ZE, an exporter is taken to be related to another exporter if the two exporters are associates of one another under subsection 269TAA(4).</i></p> | <p>To determine whether subsection 269ZE(2)(b) applies, preliminary background research of the applicant was conducted to ascertain the existence of any relationship or connection between the applicant and an exporter whose exports were examined during the original investigations.</p> <p>The Commission examined information contained in the application and publicly available in relation to the applicant, information from the original investigations and the Australian Border Force's import data for the original investigation period.</p> <p>There is no evidence to suggest that the applicant is related to an exporter whose exports were examined during the original investigations.</p> |

For the reasons set out above, I consider that the application complies with subsection 269ZE(1). As there are presently no grounds to reject the application under subsection 269ZE(2), I have not rejected it.

Application for accelerated review – compliance with section 269ZF

Subsection 269ZF(1) requires that an application for accelerated review must:

- be in writing and be lodged in a manner approved under section 269SMS (subsection 269ZF(1));
- contain a description of the goods to which the countervailing duty notice relates (subsection 269ZF(1)(a)); and
- contain a statement of the basis on which the exporter considers that the particular notice is inappropriate so far as the exporter is concerned (subsection 269ZF(1)(b)).

| Requirement | Finding |
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| Lodged with the Commissioner in writing and in a manner approved under section 269SMS | The application was in writing and lodged in a manner approved in an instrument made under section 269SMS, being by email to the Commission's nominated email address. |
| Contains a description of the goods to which the countervailing duty notice relates | The application contained a description of the goods to which the countervailing duty notice relates. |
| Contains a statement of the basis on which the applicant considers that the particular notice is inappropriate in so far as the exporter is concerned | The applicant claims that the notice is inappropriate as it did not export the goods during the original investigation period which established the current measures and that those measures do not reflect their specific circumstances. The applicant claims that the current measures do not reflect the level of countervailable subsidies received by the applicant, based on their financial records. |

Based on the information submitted by the applicant, I consider that the application complies with subsection 269ZF(1).

Conclusion

I am satisfied that, on the basis of currently available information in the application:

- the circumstances in which an accelerated review can be sought under subsection 269ZE(1) have been satisfied;
- the conditions for rejection under subsection 269ZE(2) are not satisfied; and
- the application satisfies the requirements of section 269ZF.

In view of the above, I have decided that the application should not be rejected. My decision has been made on the basis of all currently available information. If, during the accelerated review, evidence becomes available that satisfies me that the requirements of either subsection 269ZE(2) or subsection 269ZE(3) are met, I may reject the application or terminate the accelerated review.

The review period for this accelerated review with respect to countervailing duties is **1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018**.

Securities

When an application for an accelerated review of a dumping duty notice or countervailing duty notice is lodged, subsection 269ZH(a) provides that no interim duty can be collected from the applicant in respect of consignments of goods, to which the application relates, entered for home consumption after the application is lodged and until the completion of the review.

However, pursuant to subsection 269ZH(b), the Commonwealth may require and take securities under section 42 in respect of interim dumping duty and interim countervailing duty that may be payable on importation of the goods to which the application relates.

I declare that the Commonwealth will require and take securities, as shown in **Confidential Table 1**, under section 42 from **20 June 2019** in respect of interim countervailing duty that may be payable on the importation of the goods to which the application under subsection 269ZE(1) relates.

The interim countervailing duty that has been determined is an amount that has been ascertained as a proportion of the export price of the goods pursuant to subsection 10(3B)(a) of the *Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Act 1975*.

Contact

Enquiries about this notice may be directed to the Case Manager by email to investigations3@adcommission.gov.au or telephone number +61 3 8539 2520.

Dale Seymour

Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission

10 July 2019

Appendices and attachments

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| Confidential Attachment 1 | Australian Border Force Import Data |
| Confidential Table 1 | Ascertained variable factors and rates of duty for the collection of securities |