



ANTI-DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2020/078

Precision pipe and tube steel

Exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China, the Republic of Korea, Taiwan and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam

Investigation No. 550 into alleged dumping and subsidisation

Extension of time granted to issue the Statement of Essential Facts and the Final Report

Customs Act 1901 – Part XVB

On 31 March 2020, the Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission (Commissioner) published a notice announcing the initiation of an investigation into the alleged dumping and subsidisation of precision pipe and tube steel (the goods) exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China, the Republic of Korea, Taiwan and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

A full description of the goods is available in Anti-Dumping Notice (ADN) No. 2020/030 available on the Anti-Dumping Commission's (Commission) website at www.adcommission.gov.au (initiation notice).

The initiation notice advised that the statement of essential facts (SEF) would be placed on the public record by 20 July 2020. 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 investigation.

The initiation notice also advised that a recommendation to the Minister would be made in a final report on, or before, 2 September 2020.

The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted relevant exporters, delaying the preparation of their responses to the exporter questionnaires. It has also affected the ability of Commission staff to undertake verification of questionnaire responses within the usual timeframes.

As a result of the delays associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, I, Paul Sexton, General Manager, Investigations of the Anti-Dumping Commission, requested an extension of the deadline for the Commissioner to publish the SEF and provide his final report and recommendation to the Minister.¹

¹ The Commissioner sub-delegated the power to grant extensions of time under section 269ZHI of the *Customs Act 1901* (the Act) to the General Managers of the Anti-Dumping Commission. See section 269SMR of the Act and ADN No. 2017/10 on the Commission's website for further information.

The Commissioner has, under section 269ZHI(3) of the Act, extended the deadline to publish the SEF, and provide the final report and recommendation.²

The SEF will now be placed on the public record no later than **Friday, 30 October 2020**.

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 Minister will now be made in a report due on, or before, **Friday, 18 December 2020**.

The public record for this case is available at: www.adcommission.gov.au

Enquiries about this notice may be directed to the Case Manager by email at: investigations3@adcommission.gov.au

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Anti-Dumping Commission

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² The powers of the Minister to grant extensions of time under section 269ZHI of the *Customs Act 1901* were delegated to the Commissioner. See section 269TAH of the Act and ADN No. 2017/10 for further information.