



Australian Government  
Department of Industry, Science,  
Energy and Resources

Anti-Dumping  
Commission

*Customs Act 1901 – Part XVB*

## **ANTI-DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2021/111**

### **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**

### **Termination of part of Investigation No. 550**

***Public notice under section 269TDA(15) of the Customs Act 1901***

On 31 March 2020, the then Anti-Dumping Commissioner, Mr Dale Seymour, initiated an investigation in accordance with an application lodged by Orrcon Manufacturing Pty Ltd (the applicant) under section 269TB(1) of the *Customs Act 1901* (the Act).

The investigation concerns the alleged dumping of precision pipe and tube steel (the goods) exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China (China), the Republic of Korea (Korea), Taiwan and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam (Vietnam). The investigation also concerns the alleged subsidisation of the goods exported to Australia from China and Vietnam.

Public notice of the decision to not reject the application and to initiate the investigation was published on the Anti-Dumping Commission's (Commission) electronic public record at [www.adcommission.gov.au](http://www.adcommission.gov.au) on 31 March 2020<sup>1</sup>.

As a result of the Commission's investigation, I, Dr Bradley Armstrong PSM, the Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission (the Commissioner) am satisfied that:

- in relation to Dalian Steelforce Hi-Tech Co., Ltd (Dalian Steelforce), the amount of countervailable subsidy received during the investigation period, when expressed as a percentage, was 0.1%
- in relation to Yantai Aoxin International Trade Co., Ltd (Yantai Aoxin), no countervailable subsidy has been received in respect of the goods.

<sup>1</sup> Electronic Public Record (EPR) 550, Item no. 3.

## **Dalian Steelforce**

In the *Statement of Essential Facts No. 550* (SEF 550),<sup>2</sup> I determined a preliminary subsidy margin for Dalian Steelforce of 9.0%. The preliminary subsidy margin included a benefit in relation to *Program 20 – Hot rolled steel provided by government at less than fair market value*.

In response to SEF 550, Dalian Steelforce submitted to the Commission that it purchased all steel coil used in the manufacture of the goods from private enterprises.<sup>3</sup> While Dalian Steelforce purchased steel coil from Chinese state-owned enterprises, these purchases were not in relation to its manufacture of the goods. After considering this submission and then reviewing the Commission's verification of Dalian Steelforce during the investigation,<sup>4</sup> I have recalculated the benefit that Dalian Steelforce received under *Program 20 – Hot rolled steel provided by government at less than fair market value*. This has resulted in a change in the preliminary subsidy margin calculated for Dalian Steelforce in SEF 550, from 9.0% to 0.1%.

I am, therefore, satisfied that countervailable subsidies have been received in respect of some or all of the goods exported by Dalian Steelforce, but the subsidy never, at any time during the investigation period, exceeded the negligible level of countervailable subsidy under section 269TDA(16) of the Act.

Therefore, I have terminated the investigation in accordance with section 269TDA(2) of the Act, in so far as it relates to Dalian Steelforce.

## **Yantai Aoxin**

In SEF 550, I preliminarily determined that Yantai Aoxin was not an exporter of the goods. In response to SEF 550, Yantai Aoxin submitted to the Commission information indicating it may be an exporter of the goods. After considering this submission and further information provided at the request of the Commission, I am satisfied that Yantai Aoxin is an exporter of the goods.

Furthermore, I found no evidence that Yantai Aoxin received countervailable subsidies in respect of the goods.

## **Making the Decision**

In making the decision to terminate part of this investigation, I have had regard to:

- the application<sup>5</sup>
- submissions from interested parties concerning the initiation notice
- SEF 550, and
- submissions in response to SEF 550.

The applicant may request a review of this decision to terminate part of the investigation by lodging an application with the Anti-Dumping Review Panel. This can be done in the approved form and manner within 30 days of the publication of this notice.

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<sup>2</sup> EPR 550, Item no. 57.

<sup>3</sup> EPR 550, Item 61.

<sup>4</sup> Dalian Steelforce's verification report is available at EPR 550, Item no. 46.

<sup>5</sup> EPR 550, Item no. 1.

The findings in relation to the alleged dumping of the goods exported from China, Korea, Taiwan and Vietnam, and the alleged countervailing subsidies received in relation to goods exported from China and Vietnam, are contained in:

- *Termination Report No. 550*<sup>6</sup>, and
- *Report No. 550*, which I will provide to the Minister for Industry, Science and Technology on, or before, Friday 27 August 2021.

Interested parties can direct any enquiries to: [investigations3@adcommission.gov.au](mailto:investigations3@adcommission.gov.au)

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Anti-Dumping Commission

27 August 2021

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<sup>6</sup> EPR 550, Item no. 67.