



ANTI-DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2020/121

Steel reinforcing bar

Exported 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 No. 560

Customs Act 1901 – Part XVB

On 10 July 2020, 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 steel reinforcing bar 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. 2020/074. This ADN is available on the Anti-Dumping Commission's (Commission) website at www.industry.gov.au.

The notice initiating this inquiry (initiation notice) advised that the statement of essential facts (SEF) would be placed on the public record by 28 October 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 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 12 December 2020.

I, Paul Sexton, General Manager, Anti-Dumping Commission, have requested an extension of the deadline for the Commissioner to publish the SEF and provide his final report and recommendation to the Minister.¹ I have sought this extension to enable the Commissioner to take the findings of Review 563 into account for the purposes of this continuation inquiry. Review 563 is examining the variable factors in relation to the goods exported from China over the same period as the continuation inquiry period (1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020).

¹ 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 for further information: <http://www.adcommission.gov.au/notices/Documents/2017/ADN%202017-10%20Operational%20Improvements%20to%20the%20Anti-Dumping%20Commission.pdf>

The Commissioner has, under section 269ZHI(3) of the *Customs Act 1901*,² approved the request for an extension.

The SEF will now be placed on the public record no later than **23 December 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 **2 March 2021**.

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 www.industry.gov.au.

Enquiries about this notice may be directed to the case manager on telephone number +61 3 8539 2462 or at investigations2@adcommission.gov.au.

Paul Sexton
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Anti-Dumping Commission

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² On 19 January 2017, the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science 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.