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Re: Auswide Equipment Dumping Tax Exempt Application

Auswide Equipment Pty Ltd is the original Australian innovator of Aluminium Plant Trailers and Aluminium Loading Ramps. These products are designed for the purpose of transporting mini excavators and light machinery for the Civil Construction Industry. All products and specifications can be viewed on our website www.ausramp.com.au.

Auswide Equipment is a small Australian business, with 14 employees. Auswide Equipment also prides itself on being an Australian Manufacturer who tries to source its materials from other Australian manufacturers, where possible.

Aluminium Sections 7005-T593 are purchased through Panasia Aluminium Pty Ltd, in order for Auswide Equipment to manufacture their current Trailers and Ramps. Section 7005-T593 is the only high tensile Alloy available, that is able to withstand the harsh and rigorous conditions that Earthmoving Industry, Machines and Operators place on these products.

6000 Series Aluminium is available within Australia, but does not meet the tensile strength requirements to withstand the rigorous usage.

Auswide Equipment also produces Aluminium Boat Trailer frames in multiple sizes. For these products 6000 Series Aluminium is suitable and is sought locally through G. James Aluminium.

Auswide Equipment has always endeavoured to source materials from Australian producers and does so with all materials, apart from the 7000 Series Aluminium.

In the attached letters from G. James Aluminium and Capral Aluminium, they state that they are unable to provide 7000 Series Aluminium within Australia. In the letter from Capral Aluminium, it states that they too, are only able to supply 7000 Series Aluminium from overseas.

In my opinion, Auswide Equipment should be exempt from the Dumping Tax. Due to the materials required to manufacture their products, aren't produced within Australia.

Manufacturing within Australia, at the present time, is very challenging. Auswide Equipment is constantly having to compete against trailers being imported into Australia, from other countries. Auswide Equipment is unable to compete against prices that imported trailers are being sold within Australia.

I am seeking for the Anti Dumping Commission to exempt Auswide Equipment from the Dumping Tax on 7000 Series Aluminium.

Auswide Equipment currently pays Dumping Duty on approximately 125,000 kg's of Aluminium per year.

Without the burden of Dumping Tax on the 7000 Series Aluminium, this would allow Auswide Equipment to be become more competitive within the current market with their pricing, against overseas imports of similar products.

The Anti Dumping Commission has recently increased the Dumping Tax

This in turn,

will have a very negative impact on Auswide Equipment's ability to manufacture its products, staff and the ability to trade.

In conclusion, I hope you are able to understand the position and frustration that Auswide Equipment is facing at present, with trying to keep its manufacturing within Australia and being able to compete against the overseas imports.

Regards,

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