



ANTI-DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2022/001

Precision Pipe and Tube Steel

Exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China

and the Republic of Korea

Initiation of Exemption Inquiry No EX0090

Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Act 1975

I, Dr Bradley Armstrong PSM, the Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission, have initiated an exemption inquiry in relation to certain goods the subject of anti-dumping measures applying to precision pipe and tube steel exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China (China) and the Republic of Korea (ROK).

The exemption category being sought is under sections 8(7) and 10(8) of the *Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Act 1975* (Dumping Duty Act). Under this provision the Minister for Industry, Energy and Emissions Reduction (Minister) may exempt goods from dumping and countervailing duties where satisfied:

'that a Tariff Concession Order under Part XVA of the Customs Act 1901 in respect of the goods is in force.'

The Anti-Dumping Measures

Anti-dumping measures, in the form of a dumping and countervailing duty notice, were initially imposed on precision pipe and tube steel by public notice on 29 September 2021 by the Anti-Dumping Notices (ADNs) Nos. 2021/109 and 2021/110 following consideration of the *Anti-Dumping Commission Report No. 550* (REP 550). The interim dumping duties are applicable to exports from China and ROK and the interim countervailing duties are only applicable to exports from China.

The Current Inquiry

K&R Ladle Co Pty Ltd. (the applicant) has made an application for an exemption to the Minister. After making inquiries of the Australian industry producing precision pipe and tube steel and other interested parties, I will recommend to the Minister whether the goods should be exempted from the anti-dumping measures.

The Exemption Goods

The goods the subject of the exemption inquiry are precision pipe and tube steel ('the exemption goods').

The applicant provided further details as follows:

Tubes, welded, non alloy steel, being EITHER of the following:

(a) single wall resistance welded to specification SAE J526, having ALL of the following:

- (i) carbon content NOT greater than 0.13%;
- (ii) outside diameter NOT greater than 11.50 mm;
- (iii) wall thickness NOT less than 0.5 mm and NOT greater than 1.0 mm;

(b) double wall copper brazed to specification SAE J527, having ALL of the following:

- (i) carbon content NOT greater than 0.13%;
- (ii) outside diameter NOT greater than 13 mm;
- (iii) wall thickness NOT less than 0.5 mm and NOT greater than 1.0 mm.

The exemption goods are classified to the tariff subheading 7306.30.00 (statistical code 30) of Schedule 3 to the *Customs Tariff Act 1995*.

The exemption inquiry will examine whether the goods the subject of the application satisfy the conditions of sections 8(7) and 10(8) of the Dumping Duty Act.

Public Record

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

Lodgment of Submissions

Interested parties are invited to lodge written submissions concerning this inquiry no later than 21 days after the publication of this notice, addressed to:

The Director
Investigations,
Anti-Dumping Commission
GPO Box 2013
Canberra ACT 2601

or email investigations@adcommission.gov.au.

Interested parties wishing to participate in the inquiry must ensure that submissions are lodged promptly.

Interested 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 'OFFICIAL: Sensitive'.

Interested parties must lodge a non-confidential version or a summary of their submission in accordance with the requirement above (clearly marked 'PUBLIC RECORD').

Report to the Minister

There is no legislated timeframe for completing the report and recommendation to the Minister.

Anti-Dumping Commission contact

Enquiries about this notice may be directed to the case manager on telephone number +61 3 8539 2474 or email investigations@adcommission.gov.au.

Dr Bradley Armstrong PSM
Commissioner
Anti-Dumping Commission

4 January 2022