



ANTI-DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2022/061

Precision Pipe and Tube Steel

Exported to Australia from People's Republic of China and the Republic of Korea

Initiation of Exemption Inquiry No EX0092

Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Act 1975

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

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

'that like or directly competitive goods are not offered for sale in Australia to all purchasers on equal terms under like conditions having regard to the custom and usage of trade.'

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

The Anti-Dumping Measures

Anti-dumping measures were initially imposed by public notice on 29 September 2021 following consideration of the Anti-Dumping Commission Report No.550. Interim dumping duties apply to all exporters from China and the ROK. Interim countervailing duties apply to exports of the goods from China except Dalian Steelforce Hi-Tech Co., Ltd and Yantai Aoxin International Trade Co., Ltd.

The Exemption Goods

The goods the subject of the exemption inquiry are certain precision pipe and tube steel (the exemption goods). The exemption goods are as follows:

Steel ERW pipe, circular, EN10305 Standard, cold drawn, in the following sizes:

69 mm outside diameter x57 mm inside diameter, wall thickness 6.0 mm
83 mm outside diameter x70 mm inside diameter, wall thickness 6.5 mm
89 mm outside diameter x79 mm inside diameter, wall thickness 5.0 mm
101 mm outside diameter x88 mm inside diameter, wall thickness 6.2 mm
114 mm outside diameter x101 mm inside diameter, wall thickness 6.5 mm
120 mm outside diameter x107 mm inside diameter, wall thickness 6.5 mm
139 mm outside diameter x127 mm inside diameter, wall thickness 6.0 mm
152 mm outside diameter x127 mm inside diameter, wall thickness 12.5 mm
165 mm outside diameter x152 mm inside diameter, wall thickness 6.5 mm
190 mm outside diameter x177 mm inside diameter, wall thickness 6.5 mm
196 mm outside diameter x177 mm inside diameter, wall thickness 9.5 mm
222 mm outside diameter x203 mm inside diameter, wall thickness 9.5 mm

And having all of the following specifications and confirmed on mill certificates:

- Length ranging from 5.8 metres to 8.9 metres, and
- Surface roughness (Ra) no greater than 1.6 micrometres, and
- Outside and inside diameter tolerance no greater than ± 0.25 mm, and
- E355-SR grade steel, cold drawn and stress relieved in a controlled atmosphere.

The Current Inquiry

On 5 April 2022, Delta Hydraulics Pty Ltd wrote to the commission requesting the Minister grant an exemption. 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 exemption goods should be exempted from the anti-dumping measures.

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

I invite interested parties to lodge written submissions concerning this inquiry via email to investigations@adcommission.gov.au no later than 21 days after the publication of this notice. Alternatively, submissions can be addressed to:

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

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 2550 or email investigations@adcommission.gov.au.

Dr Bradley Armstrong PSM
Commissioner
Anti-Dumping Commission
18 July 2022