# Application for an anti-circumvention inquiry

#### APPLICATION UNDER SECTION 269ZDBC OF THE CUSTOMS ACT 1901 FOR AN ANTI-CIRCUMVENTION INQUIRY In accordance with subsection 269ZDBC(1) of the Customs Act 1901 (the Act) 1, I request that the Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission conduct an anti-circumvention inquiry in relation to a notice published under subsections 269TG(2) or 269TJ(2) of the Act, in respect of the goods the subject of notice. I consider that there are reasonable grounds to assert that one or more of the following circumvention activities, as prescribed by section 269ZDBB of the Act or in the Customs (International Obligations) Regulation 2015, have occurred: □ assembly of parts in Australia ☐ assembly of parts in a third country export of goods through one or more third countries ☐ arrangements between exporters ☐ slight modification of goods exported to Australia This application is made by a person representing, or representing a portion of, the Australian industry producing like goods, that considers one or more circumvention activities in relation to the notice have occurred. I consider that it may be appropriate to alter the notice because of the circumvention activities. **DECLARATION** I believe that the information contained in this application: provides reasonable grounds for the conduct of an anti-circumvention inquiry; and, is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. Signature: Name: Position: Company: ABN: Date:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All legislative references are to the *Customs Act 1901*.

#### About this form

Section 269ZDBD(1)(b) of the Act requires that an application under section 269ZDBC(1) of the Act for an anti-circumvention inquiry must be in a form approved by the Commissioner under section 269SMS(1) for those purposes. This is the approved form.

## Signature requirements

Where the application is made:

By a company - the application must be signed by a director, servant or agent acting with the authority of the body corporate.

By a joint venture - a director, employee, agent of each joint venturer must sign the application. Where a joint venturer is not a company, the principal of that joint venturer must sign the application form.

On behalf of a trust - a trustee of the trust must sign the application.

By a sole trader - the sole trader must sign the application.

*In any other case* - contact the Anti-Dumping Commission's (the commission's) Client support section for advice.

NB: Where an application is made by an agent acting with authority on behalf of a company, joint venture, trust or sole trader, an authority to act letter must be provided with this application.

## Assistance with the application

The commission provides a free-of-charge document checking service, available prior to formal lodgement, to assist applicants to ensure that their applications meet the documentary requirements, see "before you apply": <a href="https://www.industry.gov.au/anti-dumping-commission/apply-anti-dumping-or-countervailing-duties-measures">https://www.industry.gov.au/anti-dumping-commission/apply-anti-dumping-or-countervailing-duties-measures</a>

The commission has also published guidelines to assist applicants with the completion of this application (for anti-circumvention inquiries): <a href="https://www.industry.gov.au/anti-dumping-commission/apply-anti-circumvention-inquiry">https://www.industry.gov.au/anti-dumping-commission/apply-anti-circumvention-inquiry</a>

The commission's Client Support section can also provide information about dumping and countervailing procedures and the information required by the application form. Contact the section on:

**Phone**: 13 28 46 or +61 2 6213 6000 (outside Australia)

Email: <a href="mailto:clientsupport@adcommission.gov.au">clientsupport@adcommission.gov.au</a>

Information is available from the commission website at www.adcommission.gov.au.

Small and medium enterprises (i.e., those with less than 200 full-time staff, which are independently operated and which are not a related body corporate for the purposes of the *Corporations Act* 2001), may obtain assistance, at no charge, from the Department of Industry, Science and Resources' International Trade Remedies Advisory (ITRA) Service. For more information on the ITRA Service, visit <a href="www.business.gov.au/ITRA">www.business.gov.au/ITRA</a>, email us at <a href="mailto:itra@industry.gov.au">itra@industry.gov.au</a>, or telephone the ITRA Service Hotline on +61 2 6213 7267.

### Required information

- 1. Provide details of the name, street and postal address, of the applicant seeking the inquiry.
- 2. Provide details of the name of a contact person, including their position, telephone number and e-mail address.
- 3. Provide known names, addresses and telephone numbers of other parties likely to have an interest in this matter, e.g., Australian manufacturers, importers, exporters and end users.
- 4. Provide a description of the kind of goods that are the subject of the original notice.
- 5. Provide a description of the original notice, including:
  - whether the notice was a dumping and/or countervailing notice:
  - the tariff classification/s of the goods;
  - the countries and/or exporters covered by the notice; and
  - the date of publication of the notice.
- 6. Provide a detailed statement regarding the circumvention activities in relation to the original notice that you consider have occurred. Applicants must provide evidence to support your view that there are reasonable grounds for asserting that one or more circumvention activities in relation to the notice have occurred.
- 7. Provide a description of the alterations to the original notice that you consider should be made.

Please refer to the 'Instructions and Guidelines for applicants: Application for an anti-circumvention inquiry' for further information on completing questions 6 and 7.

#### Provision of data

Industry financial data must, wherever possible, be submitted in an electronic format.

- The data should be submitted on a media format compatible with Microsoft Windows.
- Microsoft Excel, or an Excel compatible format, is required.
- If the data cannot be presented electronically please contact the commission's Client Support section for advice.

# Lodgement of the application

This application, together with the supporting evidence, must be lodged in the manner approved by the Commissioner under subsection 269SMS(2) of the Act. The Commissioner has approved lodgement of this application by:

- email, preferably, using the email address clientsupport@adcommission.gov.au;
- upload to SIGBOX (SIGBOX is our secure online lodgement platform, suitable for large files or attachments - email us to arrange access),
- post to:

The Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission GPO Box 2013 Canberra ACT 2601

Effective immediately:

- Applications are taken to be lodged or received by the Commissioner when it is first received by a commission staff member doing duty in relation to applications.
- Staff members are on duty receiving applications from 9:00am to 5:00pm (AEST or AEDST) on business days that are not an Australian Capital Territory public holiday, or during Annual Closedown\*.

#### **Definitions** in this application:

- AEST means Australian Eastern Standard Time.
- **AEDST** means Australian Eastern Daylight Savings Time.
- business day means a day that is not a Saturday or Sunday.
- **Annual Closedown** means the 3 business days the commission is closed between Christmas Day and New Year's Day.
- \* Public holidays are listed at: <a href="https://www.fairwork.gov.au/employment-conditions/public-holidays">https://www.fairwork.gov.au/employment-conditions/public-holidays</a>

#### Public Record

During an inquiry all interested parties are given the opportunity to defend their interests, by making a submission. The commission maintains a public record of these submissions. The public record is available on the commission's website at <a href="https://www.adcommission.gov.au">www.adcommission.gov.au</a>.

At the time of making the application both a confidential version (for official use only) and non-confidential version (public record) of the application <u>must</u> be submitted. Please ensure each page of the application is clearly marked "FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY" or "PUBLIC RECORD". The non-confidential application should enable a reasonable understanding of the substance of the information submitted in confidence, clearly showing the reasons for seeking the inquiry, or, if those reasons cannot be summarised, a statement of reasons why summarisation is not possible. If you cannot provide a non-confidential version, contact the commission's Client Support section for advice.