



ANTI-DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2014/120

Zinc Coated (Galvanised) Steel

Exported from the Republic of Korea

Initiation of a Review of Anti-Dumping Measures Relating to Dongbu Steel Co., Ltd.

Customs Act 1901 – Part XVB

I, Dale Seymour, the Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission (the Commission), have initiated a review of the anti-dumping measures applying to certain zinc coated (galvanised) steel exported to Australia from the Republic of Korea (Korea) by Dongbu Steel Co., Ltd. (Dongbu).

The Goods

The goods subject to anti-dumping measures, in the form of a dumping duty notice, are:

Flat rolled products of iron and non-alloy steel of a width less than 600mm and equal to or greater than 600mm, plated or coated with zinc.

Zinc coated steel is commonly referred to as galvanised steel. The amount of zinc coating on the steel is described as its coating mass and is nominated in grams per meter squared (g/m²) with the prefix being Z (Zinc) or ZF (Zinc converted to a Zinc/Iron alloy coating). Common coating masses used for zinc coating are: Z350, Z275, Z200, Z100, and for zinc/iron alloy coating are: ZF100, ZF80 and ZF30 or equivalents based on international standards and naming conventions.

A full description and clarification of the goods is available in Australian Customs Dumping Notice No. 2012/62 which is available at the Commission's website;
www.adcommission.gov.au.

Zinc coated (galvanised) steel is classified to tariff subheadings 7210.49.00 (statistical codes 55, 56, 57 and 58) and 7212.30.00 (statistical code 61) of Schedule 3 to the *Customs Tariff Act 1995*. The goods exported to Australia from Korea are subject to a 5% rate of duty.

Background to the measures

The anti-dumping measures were initially imposed by public notice on 5 August 2013 following a dumping investigation into zinc coated (galvanised) steel exported from the People's Republic of China (China), Republic of Korea (Korea) and Taiwan.

The investigation, as outlined in International Trade Remedies Branch Report 190 (REP 190), found that certain zinc coated (galvanised) steel exported to Australia from China, Korea and Taiwan was dumped. For China the dumping margins were between 6.8% and 62.9%, for Korea the dumping margins were between a negligible rate and 28.5% and for Taiwan the dumping margins were between a negligible rate and 8.6%.

The current review

An application has been made under section 269ZA of the *Customs Act 1901* (the Act) for a review of anti-dumping measures in relation to the goods exported to Australia from Korea by Dongbu. The application was lodged by Dongbu.

A notice indicating that it is proposed to review the measures was published in *The Australian* on 31 October 2014. The review period is from 1 October 2013 to 30 September 2014, and covers exports from Dongbu from Korea. The review will examine whether the variable factors relevant to the taking of the measures have changed for Dongbu.

After concluding the review, I will recommend to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry (the Parliamentary Secretary) that the dumping duty notice:

- i. remain unaltered; or
- ii. have effect as if different variable factors had been ascertained.

If an affected party considers that it can provide evidence that may satisfy me that there are reasonable grounds for determining that anti-dumping measures applying to zinc coated (galvanised) steel are no longer warranted, that affected party may lodge an application¹ no later than 10 December 2014 to request that I consider that evidence to extend a review of anti-dumping measures to include revocation of the measures.

Public Record

A public record must be maintained for each review. The public record must contain, among other things, a copy of all submissions from interested parties.

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.adcommission.gov.au.

¹ In accordance with s.269ZCB of the Act.

Lodgment of submissions

Interested parties, as defined by subsection 269T(1) of the Act, are invited to lodge written submissions concerning this review, no later than the close of business on **10 December 2014**, addressed to:

The Director
Operations 1
Anti-Dumping Commission
1010 La Trobe Street
Docklands VIC 3008

or email operations1@adcommission.gov.au, or fax to 1300 882 506.

Interested parties wishing to participate in the review must ensure that submissions are lodged promptly. Interested parties should note that I am not obliged to have regard to a submission received by the Commission after the date mentioned above if to do so would, in my opinion, prevent the timely placement of the statement of essential facts on the public record.

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 "FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY".

Interested parties making submissions must also provide a non-confidential version for public record (clearly marked "PUBLIC RECORD").

Statement of Essential Facts

The dates specified in this notice for lodging submissions must be observed to enable me to report to the Parliamentary Secretary within the legislative timeframe. A statement of essential facts will be placed on the public record by **18 February 2015**, or by such later date as the Parliamentary Secretary may allow in accordance with section 269ZHI of the Act. The statement will set out the essential facts on which I propose to base a recommendation to the Parliamentary Secretary in relation to the review of measures. That statement will invite interested parties to respond to the issues raised within 20 days of the statement being placed on the public record.

Report to the Parliamentary Secretary

Submissions received in response to the statement of essential facts will be taken into account in preparing the report and recommendation to the Parliamentary Secretary. A recommendation to the Parliamentary Secretary will be made in a report on or before **4 April 2015** (or such later date as the Parliamentary Secretary may allow).

Anti-Dumping Commission contact

Enquiries about this notice may be directed to the case manager on telephone number +613 9244 8070, fax number 1300 882 506 or email to operations1@adcommission.gov.au.

Dale Seymour
Commissioner
Anti-Dumping Commission
31 October 2014