



*Customs Act 1901 – Part XV B*

**Steel Reinforcing Bar**

**Exported from the People's Republic of China**

**Preliminary Affirmative Determination and  
Imposition of Securities**

*Public notice under section 269TD of the Customs Act 1901*

On 1 July 2015, I, Dale Seymour, the Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission, initiated an investigation into the alleged dumping of steel reinforcing bar exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China (China), following an application lodged by OneSteel Manufacturing Pty Ltd.

The goods the subject of the application (the goods) are:

*Hot-rolled deformed steel reinforcing bar whether or not in coil form, commonly identified as rebar or debar, in various diameters up to and including 50 millimetres, containing indentations, ribs, grooves or other deformations produced during the rolling process.*

*The goods covered by this application include all steel reinforcing bar meeting the above description of the goods regardless of the particular grade or alloy content or coating.*

*Goods excluded from this application are plain round bar, stainless steel and reinforcing mesh.*

The goods are typically classified to the following tariff subheadings in Schedule 3 to the *Customs Tariff Act 1995*:

- Tariff subheading 7214.20.00 with statistical code 47
- Tariff subheading 7228.30.90 with statistical code 49 (as of 1 July 2015, statistical code 40)
- Tariff subheading 7213.10.00 with statistical code 42
- Tariff subheading 7227.90.10 with statistical code 69
- Tariff subheading 7227.90.90 with statistical code 01
- Tariff subheading 7227.90.90 with statistical code 42 (as of 1 January 2015, statistical codes 02 and 04)
- Tariff subheading 7228.30.10 with statistical code 70 and
- Tariff subheading 7228.60.10 with statistical code 72.

## PUBLIC RECORD

The general rate of duty is currently 5%.

In accordance with subsection 269TD(4)(a) of the *Customs Act 1901* (the Act), I give public notice that, on 21 December 2015, I made a preliminary affirmative determination that there appears to be sufficient grounds for the publication of a dumping duty notice in respect of the goods exported to Australia from China.

In reaching this preliminary decision, I have had regard to the requirements of section 269TAE of the Act and am satisfied that dumped goods appear to have caused material injury to the Australian industry producing like goods.

The following dumping margins have been calculated in accordance with subsection 269TACB(2)(a) of the Act, by comparing the weighted average of export prices over the whole of the investigation period with the weighted average of corresponding normal values over the whole of that period.

Exporter	Preliminary dumping margin
Shandong Shiheng Special Steel Group	13.8%
Shandong Iron and Steel Company Limited, Laiwu Company	5.8%
Jiangsu Yonggang Group Co. Ltd	12.9%
Hunan Valin Xiangtan Iron & Steel Co. Ltd	24.0%
Uncooperative and all other exporters	24.0%

*Preliminary Affirmative Determination Report No 300* sets out the reasons for making this determination, and has been placed on the public record. Alternatively it may be examined at the Commission's office by contacting the case manager on the details provided below.

Under subsection 269TD(4)(b) of the Act, I am satisfied that it is necessary to require and take securities to prevent material injury occurring to the Australian industry while the investigation continues.

The Commonwealth will require and take securities under section 42 of the Act in respect of interim dumping duty that may become payable in respect of the goods exported from China and entered for home consumption in Australia on or after 21 December 2015.

The security that has been determined is an amount worked out in accordance with the ad valorem duty method. These securities will be imposed in relation to the goods exported to Australia from China at the rate specified in the above table of preliminary dumping margins.

The actual security liability may be higher than the effective rate of security due to a number of factors. Affected parties should contact [business.gov.au](http://business.gov.au) on telephone 13 28 46 or +61 2 6213 6000 (outside Australia) for further information regarding the actual security liability calculation in their particular circumstance.

## PUBLIC RECORD

I must report to the Assistant Minister for Science and the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science (the Parliamentary Secretary) with final recommendations in relation to this investigation on or by 22 March 2016.<sup>1</sup> The Parliamentary Secretary will then decide whether to publish a dumping duty notice and, if relevant, the level of measures to be imposed.

If dumped goods give rise to retrospective notices being imposed on the goods under section 269TN of the Act, the dumping duty notice will also include the duties to be imposed retrospectively.

Enquiries about this notice may be directed to the case manager on telephone number +61 3 8539 2409 or at [operations4@adcommission.gov.au](mailto:operations4@adcommission.gov.au).



Dale Seymour  
Commissioner  
Anti-Dumping Commission

21 December 2015

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<sup>1</sup> On 20 September 2015, the Prime Minister appointed the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science as the Assistant Minister for Science.

