

ANTI-DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2014/40

Hot Rolled Structural Steel Sections Exported from Japan, the Republic of Korea, Taiwan and Thailand

Extension of time granted to issue the Statement of Essential Facts

Customs Act 1901 - Part XVB

On 24 October 2013, the Anti-Dumping Commission (the Commission) published a notice announcing the initiation of an investigation into the alleged dumping of hot rolled structural steel sections (HRS) exported from Japan, the Republic of Korea (Korea), Taiwan and Thailand.

A full description of the goods is available in Anti-Dumping Notice (ADN) No. 2013/75. This ADN is available on the internet at www.adcommission.gov.au

The initiation notice advised that the Statement of Essential Facts (SEF) for the investigation would be placed on the public record by 11 February 2014. The SEF will set out the facts on which the Commission proposes to base its recommendations to the Parliamentary Secretary to Minister for Industry (the Parliamentary Secretary).

On 11 February 2014, the Parliamentary Secretary approved an extension to the deadline to publish the SEF to 12 May 2014 due to case complexities (ADN 2014/10 refers).

Due to political unrest in Thailand and consequent travel warnings, the Commission has been unable to undertake face to face verification of data and information provided by Siam Yamato Steel Co Ltd in Thailand. Rather, the Commission has had to perform remote verification based in Australia, resulting in a delay in the Commission's investigation timeframes. On this basis I requested an extension of the deadline for the publication of the SEF on 12 May 2014.

The Parliamentary Secretary has, under section 269ZHI of the *Customs Act 1901*, further extended the deadline for the publication of the SEF. The SEF will now be placed on the public record no later than 17 July 2014.

Interested parties will be invited to make submissions to the Commission in response to the SEF within 20 days of the SEF being placed on the public record. A recommendation to the Minister will now be made in a report due on or before 31 August 2014.

Documents included in the public record are available at www.adcommission.gov.au
Alternatively, the public record may be examined at the Commission's office by contacting the case manager on the details provided below.

Enquiries about this notice may be directed to the case manager on telephone number +61 3 9244 8270, fax number 1300 882 506 or +61 2 6275 6888 (outside Australia) or by email to operations3@adcommission.gov.au

Dale Seymour Commissioner Anti-Dumping Commission 12 May 2014