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## **ANTI-DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2017/114**

### **Zinc Coated (Galvanised) Steel**

### **Exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China, The Republic of Korea and Taiwan**

### **Findings of an exemption inquiry**

*Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Act 1975*

I, Dale Seymour, the Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission have completed the exemption inquiry in relation to certain goods which are the subject of anti-dumping measures applying to certain zinc coated (galvanised) steel exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China (China) the Republic of Korea (Korea) and Taiwan.

The exemption was sought pursuant to subsections 8(7)(b) and 10(8)(aa) of the *Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Act 1975* (Dumping Duty Act). Under these provisions the Assistant Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science and the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science (Parliamentary Secretary)<sup>1</sup> may exempt goods from interim dumping duty, dumping duty, interim countervailing duty and countervailing duty (the duties) if satisfied that a Tariff Concession Order under Part XVA of the *Customs Act 1901* in respect of the goods is in force.

#### **The anti-dumping measures**

Anti-dumping measures, in the form of a dumping duty notice and a countervailing duty notice, were initially imposed on certain galvanised steel by public notice on 5 August 2013 by the then Attorney-General following consideration of *International Trade Remedies Branch Report No. 190* and *International Trade Remedies Branch Report No. 193*.

Exports from China, Korea and Taiwan are subject to dumping duty and exports from China are subject to countervailing duty. A number of exporters are exempt from the duties. Certain goods subject to specified Tariff Concession Orders (TCO) are also exempt from the duties. Details of these exemptions can be found in the Dumping Commodity Register on the Commission's [website](#).

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<sup>1</sup> On 19 July 2016, the Prime Minister appointed the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science as the Assistant Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science. For the purposes of this inquiry, the Minister is the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science.

## **The goods**

The goods covered by the anti-dumping measures (in the form of a dumping duty notice and countervailing 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; and*

*flat rolled products of alloyed steel of a width less than 600mm and equal to or greater than 600mm, plated or coated with zinc exported from:*

- *China by Angang Steel Co., Ltd or Benxi Iron and Steel (Group) International Economic & Trading Co.; or*
- *Taiwan by Yieh Phui Enterprise Co., Ltd.*

The goods description includes galvanised steel whether or not including any (combination of) surface treatment, for instance; whether passivated or not passivated, (often referred to as chromated or unchromated), oiled or not oiled, skin passed or not skin passed, phosphated or not phosphated (for zinc iron alloy coated steel only).

Painted galvanised steel, pre-painted galvanised steel, electro-galvanised plate steel and corrugated galvanised steel are not covered by the dumping duty notice.

## **The exemption goods**

The goods subject to the application for exemption are certain zinc coated (galvanised) steel (“the exemption goods”) meeting the following specific characteristics covered by TCO TC 1663110:<sup>2</sup>

*COILS, non-alloy steel, hot rolled, zinc coated, complying with American Society for Testing and Materials Standard A653/A653M-11 (ASTM A653/A653M-11), having ALL of the following:*

- a) thickness NOT less than 3.60 mm and NOT greater than 6.0 mm;*
- b) width NOT less than 784 mm and NOT greater than 1 263 mm;*
- c) minimum yield strength NOT less than 175 Mpa;*
- d) minimum tensile strength NOT less than 280 Mpa;*
- e) inside diameter NOT less than 711 mm and NOT greater than 813 mm;*
- f) zinc coating mass NOT less than 0.040 kg/m<sup>2</sup> per side;*
- g) weight NOT less than 14 metric tonnes;*
- h) chemical composition by weight of ALL of the following:*
  - i. carbon content NOT greater than 0.20%;*
  - ii. phosphorus content NOT greater than 0.03%;*
  - iii. sulphur content NOT greater than 0.03%;*
  - iv. aluminium content NOT greater than 0.10%;*
  - v. copper content NOT greater than 0.25%;*
  - vi. nickel content NOT greater than 0.25%;*
  - vii. titanium content NOT greater than 0.04%;*
  - viii. silicon content NOT greater than 0.45%.*

The exemption goods are classified to the tariff subheading 7210.49.00 (statistical code 58) of Schedule 3 to the *Customs Tariff Act 1995*. For these goods the general rate of duty is currently five per cent for goods imported from Korea and Taiwan and free for imports from China.

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<sup>2</sup> Further details are available on the Department of Immigration and Border Protection [website](#).

## **The inquiry**

Following an application by Australian Tube Mills Pty Ltd (AusTube), I made a recommendation to the Parliamentary Secretary that the exemption goods be exempted from anti-dumping measures.

The Parliamentary Secretary has accepted my recommendation and has exempted the goods the subject of the application from the duties through *Ministerial Exemption Instrument No. 8 of 2017*. The exemption takes effect from 10 March 2017.

Copies of *Exemption Inquiry Report No. EX0053* and the exemption instrument are available on the Anti-Dumping Commission (Commission) [website](#).

The exemption granted as a result of this inquiry may be subject to review and may be revoked by the Parliamentary Secretary if circumstances change.

## **Further Information**

If importers believe that goods they are importing are exempted from the duties in accordance with these exemption instruments, when they or their broker enter these goods for home consumption via the Integrated Cargo System, the exemption category 'GOODS' should be selected and no dumping and / or countervailing duties will be applied to the shipment.

Parties seeking a refund of the duties already paid should contact the Commission on 13 28 46 or email at [clientsupport@adcommission.gov.au](mailto:clientsupport@adcommission.gov.au).

The decision to grant the exemption does not prevent further applications for exemptions from dumping duties being considered. Parties can apply for an exemption where they believe their goods satisfy any of the conditions for exemption detailed in subsections 8(7) and 10(8) of the Dumping Duty Act. Further information on the application process can be found on the Commission [website](#).

## **Anti-Dumping Commission contact**

Enquiries about this notice may be directed to the Commission on 13 28 46 or for international callers on +61 2 6213 6000 or by email at [clientsupport@adcommission.gov.au](mailto:clientsupport@adcommission.gov.au).

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