



Customs Act 1901 – Part XVB

ANTI-DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2021/123

**Aluminium zinc coated steel of a width equal to or
greater than 600 millimetres**

**Exported to Australia from
the Republic of Korea, Taiwan and
the Socialist Republic of Vietnam**

**Investigation No. 558 into Alleged Dumping and
Subsidisation**

**Preliminary Affirmative Determination No. 558
(PAD 558) and imposition of securities**

Public notice under section 269TD of the Customs Act 1901¹

On 30 June 2020, the then Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission, Mr Dale Seymour, published a notice announcing the initiation of an investigation following an application from BlueScope Steel Limited. The investigation concerns the alleged dumping and subsidisation of aluminium zinc coated steel of a width equal to, or greater than, 600 millimetres (the goods).

Specifically, the investigation examines the alleged dumping and subsidisation of the goods exported to Australia from the Socialist Republic of Vietnam (Vietnam). It also concerns the alleged dumping of the goods exported to Australia from the Republic of Korea (Korea) and Taiwan.

A full description of the goods is set out in **Appendix 1** of this notice.

As specified in Statement of Essential Facts No. 558 (SEF 558) and pursuant to section 269TD(1) of the *Customs Act 1901*², I am satisfied that there appears to be sufficient grounds for the publication of a dumping duty notice applying to the goods exported to Australia from Vietnam and Korea. As a result, I have made a preliminary affirmative determination (PAD) to that effect.

¹ This is a public notice under section 269TD(4)(a) and 269TD(5) of the *Customs Act 1901* (Cth) of the Commissioner's preliminary affirmative determination. It is also public notice of the Commonwealth's decision to require and take securities.

² All references in this notice to 'the Act' are references to the *Customs Act 1901* (Cth), unless specified otherwise.

Having regard to the requirements of the Act and the findings in SEF 558, I am satisfied that dumped goods exported from Vietnam and Korea appear to have caused material injury to the Australian industry producing like goods.

Consequently, I am satisfied that it is necessary for the Commonwealth to impose securities in accordance with section 42 of the Act, in respect of any interim dumping duty that may become payable on goods exported from Vietnam and Korea. The securities are imposed in order to prevent material injury to the Australian industry occurring while the investigation continues.

However, having regard to the requirements of the Act and the findings in SEF 558, I am not satisfied that there appears to be sufficient grounds for the publication of:

- a dumping notice, in respect of Vietnamese exporter Nam Kim Steel Joint Stock Company (Nam Kim)
- a dumping duty notice, in respect of goods exported from Taiwan or
- a countervailing duty notice, in respect of goods exported from Vietnam.

This is because I am not satisfied that Nam Kim's exports to Australia from Vietnam, nor exports from Taiwanese exporters Sheng Yu Steel Co Ltd and Yieh Phui Enterprise Co Ltd, are at dumped prices. I am also satisfied that exports to Australia from uncooperative Taiwanese exporters were at negligible level. Further, I am satisfied that the goods exported from Vietnam were not in receipt of countervailable subsidies, or have subsidy margins that are negligible.

The preliminary analysis of dumping and subsidy margins is tabulated below.

Country	Exporter	Dumping margin (%)	Subsidy margin (%)
Korea	KG Dongbu Steel Co., Ltd	2.5	N/A
	Dongkuk Steel Mill Co., Ltd	6.9	N/A
	Uncooperative exporters	13.7	N/A
Taiwan	Sheng Yu Steel Co Ltd	-5.6	N/A
	Yieh Phui Enterprise Co Ltd	-4.4	N/A
	Uncooperative exporters	3.5	N/A
Vietnam	Hoa Phat Steel Sheet Co., Ltd	12.5	N/A
	Hoa Sen Group Joint Stock Company	5.2	N/A
	Nam Kim Steel Joint Stock Company	-9.7	N/A
	Uncooperative exporters	20.6	0.4

The Commonwealth will require and take securities under section 42 of the Act. The securities apply in respect of interim dumping duty that may become payable in respect of the goods exported from Vietnam and Korea and entered for home consumption on, or after, **23 September 2021**.

The security that has been determined is an amount worked out in accordance with the combination duty method, as detailed in the table below.

These securities will be imposed at the rate specified in the below table.

Country	Exporter	Proposed duty method	Fixed rate of IDD (%)
Korea	KG Dongbu Steel Co., Ltd	Combination	2.5
	Dongkuk Steel Mill Co., Ltd	Combination	6.9
	Uncooperative exporters	Combination	13.7
Vietnam	Hoa Phat Steel Sheet Co., Ltd	Combination	5.5
	Hoa Sen Group Joint Stock Company	Combination	5.2
	Uncooperative exporters	Combination	13.1

Note that the level of securities imposed in relation to exporters from Vietnam is different to the dumping margins found in the preliminary analysis above. This is due to the operation of the lesser duty rule.

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** on 13 28 46 or +61 2 6213 6000 (outside Australia) for further information regarding the actual security liability calculation in their particular circumstance.

I must report to the Minister for Industry, Science and Technology (the Minister) with final recommendations in relation to this investigation on, or before, 15 November 2021. The Minister will then decide whether to publish a dumping duty and countervailing duty notice and, if relevant, the level of measures to be imposed.

Furthermore, the dumping and countervailing duty notice made in accordance with section 269TN of the Act will also include the duties to be imposed on goods already entered for home consumption in relation to which securities have been taken under section 42.

Enquiries about this notice may be directed to the case manager via email at: investigations4@adcommission.gov.au

Dr Bradley Armstrong PSM
Commissioner
Anti-Dumping Commission
22 September 2021

Appendix 1 – Goods description

The goods are:

Flat rolled iron and steel products (whether or not containing alloys), of a width equal to or greater than 600 millimetres ('mm'), plated or coated with aluminium-zinc alloys, not painted, and whether or not including resin coating.

Trade or further generic names often used to describe the subject goods include:

- ZINCALUME® steel;
- GALVALUME® steel;
- Aluzinc, Supalume, Superlume, ZAM, GALFAN;
- Zinc aluminium coated steel;
- Aluminium zinc coated steel;
- Aluminium zinc magnesium coated steel;
- Alu-Zinc Steel sheet in Coils;
- Al/Zn; and
- Hot Dipped 55% Aluminium-Zinc Alloy coated steel sheet in coil.

The imported goods the subject of this application covers aluminum zinc coated steel whether or not including any combination of surface treatment. For example, whether passivated (often referred to as chromated), resin coated or not resin coated (often referred to as Anti-Finger Print ('AFP') or not AFP), oiled or not oiled, skin-passed or not skin-passed.

Excluded from the goods description of this application is un-passivated (often referred to as unchromated) aluminium zinc coated steel.

The amount of aluminium zinc coating on the steel is described as its coating mass and is nominated in grams per meter squared (g/m^2), with the prefix being AZ (Aluminium Zinc). Common coating masses used are: AZ200, AZ150, AZ100, and AZ70.

There are several relevant International Standards for aluminium zinc coated steel, covering the full range of products via specific grade designations, and including the recommended or guaranteed properties of each of those product grades.

These relevant standards are noted below in the table 'Relevant International Standards for Aluminium Zinc Coated Steel'.

International Standards	Product Grades
<i>General and Commercial Grades</i>	
AS/NZS 1397	G1, G2
ASTM A792	CS, type A, B and C
EN 10346	DX51D, DX52D
JIS 3321	SGLCC
<i>Forming, Pressing & Drawing Grades</i>	
AS/NZS 1397	G3

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ASTM A792	FS, DS
EN 10346	DX53D, DX53D
JIS 3321	SGLCD, SGLCDD
<i>Structural Grades</i>	
AS/NZS 1397	G250, G300, G350, G450, G550
ASTM A792	33 (230), 37(255), 40 (275), 50 (340), 55 (380), 80 (550)
EN 10346	S220GD, S250GD, S280GD, S320GD, S350GD, S550GD
JIS 3321	SGLC400, SGLC440, SGLC490, SGLC570

Table - Relevant International Standards for aluminium zinc coated steel

Tariff Classifications

The goods are generally, but not exclusively, classified to the following tariff classification in Schedule 3 to the *Customs Tariff Act 1995* (Cth):

Tariff classification (Schedule 3 of the Customs Tariff Act 1995)		
Tariff Subheading	Statistical Code	Description
7210.61.00		FLAT-ROLLED PRODUCTS OF IRON OR NON-ALLOY STEEL, OF A WIDTH OF 600 mm OR MORE, CLAD, PLATED OR COATED: PLATED OR COATED WITH ALUMINIUM-ZINC ALLOYS
	60	<i>Of a thickness of less than 0.5 mm</i>
	61	<i>Of a thickness of 0.5 mm or more but less than 1.5 mm</i>
	62	<i>Of a thickness of 1.5 mm or more</i>
7225.99.00		FLAT-ROLLED PRODUCTS OF OTHER ALLOY STEEL, OF A WIDTH OF 600 mm OR MORE
	39	Other

This tariff classification and statistical code may include goods that are both subject and not subject to this investigation. The listing of this tariff classification and statistical code is for convenience or reference only and does not form part of the goods description above. Please refer to this description for authoritative detail regarding the goods, the subject of this investigation.