ANTI-DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2025/086

Hollow Structural Sections Exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China, the Republic of Korea, Malaysia and Taiwan Initiation of Exemption Inquiry No 104

Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Act 1975

I, David Latina, Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission, have initiated an exemption inquiry in relation to certain goods the subject of anti-dumping measures applying to Hollow Structural Sections (HSS) exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China (China), the Republic of Korea (ROK), Malaysia and Taiwan.

The exemption category being sought is under sections 8(7)(b) and 10(8)(aa) of the Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Act 1975 (Dumping Duty Act). Under these provisions the Minister for Industry and Innovation and Minister for Science (the Minister) may exempt goods from dumping and countervailing duties where 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 measures¹

Anti-dumping measures on HSS were imposed through a public notice issued on 3 July 2012, following the original investigation by the *International Trade Remedies Branch, Report No. 177* (REP 177). These measures are in the form of a dumping duty notice on HSS exported to Australia from China, Korea, Malaysia, and Taiwan and a countervailing duty notice on HSS exported from China.

Certain goods subject to specified Tariff Concession Orders (TCOs) are exempt from the dumping duties. Details of these exemptions, along with details on the goods and existing measures can be found in the Dumping Commodity Register on the website of the Anti-Dumping Commission (the Commission) at www.adcommission.gov.au.

The exemption goods

The goods the subject of the exemption inquiry (the exemption goods) are as specified in TCO No. 25027228:

TUBES, steel, crosshole sonic logging, having all of the following:

¹ <u>ACDN 2012/31</u> refers. Since the implementation of the measures, there have been multiple continuations, and amendments or variations. The most recent Anti-Dumping Notice issued in relation to these measures is <u>ADN 2022/049</u>.

- (a) wall thickness NOT greater than 1 mm;
- (b) external diameter NOT less than 45 mm and NOT greater than 55 mm;
- (c) rubber gaskets;
- (d) internal water pressure resistance up to 200 m;
- (e) single use installation.

The exemption goods are classified to the tariff subheading 7306.30.00 of Schedule 3 to the *Customs Tariff Act* 1995.

The exemption inquiry will examine whether the goods the subject of the application satisfy the conditions of sections 8(7)(b) and 10(8)(aa) of the Dumping Duty Act.

The current inquiry

An application for exemption has been made to the Minister by Avopiling Australia Pty Ltd. After making inquiries of the Australian industry producing HSS and other interested parties, I will recommend to the Minister whether the goods should be exempted from the anti-dumping measures.

Public Record

There is no legislative requirement to maintain a public record for exemption inquiries. However, in the interests of transparency, a public record will be maintained. This notice, along with a non-confidential version of the application and any non-confidential submissions that are received, will be published on the public record, available at www.adcommission.gov.au.

Lodgment of submissions

Interested parties, as defined by section 269T(1) of the Act, are invited to lodge written submissions concerning this inquiry no later than the close of business on **3 October 2025**, addressed to:

The Director
Investigations 4
Anti-Dumping Commission
GPO Box 2013
Canberra ACT 2601

or email <u>investigations4@adcommission.gov.au</u>.

Interested parties wishing to participate in the inquiry must ensure that submissions are lodged promptly.

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 "OFFICIAL: Sensitive".

Interested parties must lodge a non-confidential version or a summary of their submission in accordance with the requirement above (clearly marked "PUBLIC RECORD").

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Anti-Dumping Commission contact

Enquiries about this notice may be directed to the Case Manager on telephone number 02 6276 1599 or email investigations4@adcommission.gov.au.

David Latina Commissioner Anti-Dumping Commission

22 September 2025