



AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2006/62

TERMINATION OF PART OF THE INVESTIGATION

CERTAIN HOLLOW STRUCTURAL SECTIONS EXPORTED FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA, MALAYSIA, TAIWAN AND THAILAND

CUSTOMS ACT 1901 – PART XV B

The Chief Executive Officer of Customs (CEO) has terminated part of the above investigation into the alleged dumping of certain hollow structural sections (HSS) exported to Australia so far as it relates to particular exporters and particular countries.

The particular exporters are:

- Hengshui Jinghua Steel Pipe Co., Ltd of China;
- Huludao City Steel Pipe Industrial Co., Ltd of China;
- Qingdao Xiangxing Steel Pipe Co., Ltd of China;
- Shandong Fubo Group Co. of China;
- Tianjin Aprometal Co., Ltd of China;
- Zhejiang Kingland Pipeline and Technologies Co., Ltd of China;
- Dae Young Tube Mill Co., Ltd of Korea;
- Hankuk Steel Co., Ltd of Korea;
- Histeel Co., Ltd of Korea;
- Jinbang Steel Co., Ltd of Korea;
- Alpine Pipe Manufacturing Sdn Bhd of Malaysia;
- Kanzen Kagu Sdn Bhd of Malaysia;
- Southern Pipe Industry (M) Sdn Bhd of Malaysia;
- Lien-Tei Steel Enterprise Co., Ltd of Taiwan; and
- Yieh Phui Enterprise Co., Ltd of Taiwan.

The particular countries are:

- Korea;
- Malaysia;
- Taiwan; and
- Thailand.

The investigation was initiated on 8 June 2006, following an application by Smorgon Steel Tube Mills Pty Ltd, OneSteel Trading Pty Ltd and Orrcon Operations Pty Ltd on behalf of the Australian industry.

The investigation concerns the alleged dumping of electric resistance welded pipes made of carbon steel, comprising circular and non-circular hollow sections in galvanised and non-galvanised finishes (hereafter referred to as the goods). A full description of the goods was detailed in Australian Customs Dumping Notice 2006/25. The goods are classified to tariff subheadings 7306.30.00 and 7306.60.00 in Schedule 3 of the *Customs Tariff Act 1995*.

In making his decision, the CEO considered all responses to the exporters' visit reports and to submissions in response to statement of essential facts no. 116 of 7 November 2006.

As a result of investigations carried out by Customs, covering the period from 1 January 2005 to 31 December 2005, the CEO was satisfied that exports of the goods by the above exporters from

China, Korea, Malaysia and Taiwan have either been exported at prices that were not dumped or the dumping margins were negligible. The investigation was terminated in accordance with s. 269TDA(1) of the *Customs Act 1901* so far as it relates to those exporters.

The CEO was also satisfied that the volumes of the goods that have been, or may be, exported to Australia from Korea, Malaysia, Taiwan and Thailand and that have been, or may be, dumped is negligible. The investigation was terminated in accordance with s. 269TDA(3) of the *Customs Act 1901* so far as it relates to those countries.

The investigation into the alleged dumping of the goods from China by exporters other than the following will continue and Customs is due to report to the Minister on 22 December 2006.

- Hengshui Jinghua Steel Pipe Co., Ltd;
- Huludao City Steel Pipe Industrial Co., Ltd;
- Qingdao Xiangxing Steel Pipe Co., Ltd;
- Shandong Fubo Group Co.;
- Tianjin Aprometal Co., Ltd; and
- Zhejiang Kingland Pipeline and Technologies Co., Ltd.

A notice of the decision to terminate was published in *The Australian* on 8 December 2006.

The applicants may request a review of the CEO's decision by lodging an application with the Trade Measures Review Officer, in the approved form and manner, within 30 days of the publication of this notice.

The Trade Measures Review Officer details are

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