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Anti-Dumping Measures

1. Background

The anti-dumping measures currently applicable to exports of the following goods to Australia from the subject countries (Finland, Japan and Sweden) are due to expire on 5 November 2019:

"Flat rolled products of alloyed steel plate commonly referred to as Quenched and Tempered (Q&T) steel plate (although some Q&T grades may not be tempered), not in coils, not further worked than hot rolled, of widths from 600mm up to and including 3,200mm, thickness between 4.5-110mm (inclusive), and length up to and including 14 metres, presented in any surface condition including but not limited to mill finished, shot blasted, primed (painted) or un-primed (unpainted), lacquered, also presented in any edge condition including but not limited to mill edge, sheared or profiled cut (i.e. by Oxy, Plasma, Laser, etc.), with or without any other minor processing (e.g. drilling)."

The current measures in place are summarised in the table below:

Country	Exporter	Dumping margin	Effective rate of duty	Form of measures
Finland	All exporters	21.7%	10.8%	Ad valorem
Japan	JFE Steel Corporation	24.6%	24.5%	Ad valorem
	All other exporters	33.9%	26.1%	Ad valorem
Sweden	All exporters	34.0%	9.6%	Combination of fixed and variable

Table 1: Current measures

On 11 February 2019, the Anti-Dumping Commission (the **Commission**) commenced an inquiry into the continuation of these measures and a review process was initiated which required impacted parties to submit requested sales and financial data for the inquiry period (1 January 2018 to 31 December 2018) with this information subsequently audited by the Commission over a series of site visits.

2. Findings and Recommendations by the Commission

On 4 September 2019, the Commission published "Final Report No. 506 – Inquiry into the Continuation of Anti-Dumping Measures Applying to Quenched and Tempered Steel Plate Exported to Australia from Finland, Japan and Sweden".

This report sets out the findings and conclusions on which the Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission based his recommendations to the Minister for Industry, Science and Technology (the **Minister**).

The Commissioner concluded that "the expiration of the anti-dumping measures would lead, or would be likely to lead, to a:

- continuation of the dumping of the goods from Japan and Sweden; and
- recurrence of the dumping of the goods from Finland."

The table below outlines the dumping margins ascertained by the Commissioner in the inquiry period as well as the recommended effective rates of duty and duty methods to apply from 6 November 2019.

Country	Exporter	Dumping Margin	Effective rate of duty	Duty Method
Finland	All exporters	129.7%	58.6%	Combination of fixed and variable duty method
Japan	All exporters	33.9%	25.8%	Ad valorem duty method
Sweden	SSAB EMEA AB	129.7%	58.6%	Combination of fixed and variable duty method
	All other exporters	129.7%	58.6%	

Table 2: Proposed measures

3. Ministerial Decision

On 4 October 2019, the Minister issued Anti-Dumping Notice No. 2019/113. In this notice, the Minister:

- accepted the recommendations and reasons for recommendations from the Commission; and
- determined that the notice continues in force after 5 November 2019 with the
 effective rates of duty and duty methods recommended by the Commission to apply
 after this day.

4. Further Information

The public record of this continuation application can be found at:

https://www.industry.gov.au/regulations-and-standards/anti-dumping-and-countervailing-system/anti-dumping-commission-current-cases/506

Yours sincerely

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