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Anti-dumping investigation Case AD0012: Aluminium Extrusions exported from the People's Republic of China

| Period of Investigation: | 01/06/2020 - 31/05/2021 |
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| Injury Period: | 01/06/2017 - 31/05/2021 |
| Deadline for response: | 06 July 2021 |
| Case Team Contact: | AD0012@traderemedies.gov.uk |
| Completed on behalf of: | Dura Composites Ltd |

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X Confidential

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The scope of this investigation

Goods Concerned

This investigation covers Aluminium Extrusions exported from People's Republic of China (PRC), described as:

The goods under investigation are bars, rods, profiles (whether or not hollow), tubes, pipes; unassembled; whether or not prepared for use in structures (e.g. cut to length, drilled, bent, chamfered, threaded); made from aluminium whether or not alloyed, containing not more than 99.3% aluminium.

The product concerned is commonly referred to as 'aluminium extrusions', referring to its most common manufacturing process even if it can also be produced by other production processes such as rolling, forging or casting.

These Aluminium Extrusions are currently classifiable within the following commodity code(s): 76041010, 76041090, 76042100, 76042910, 76042990, 76081000, 76082081, 76082089 and 76109090.

In this form, these goods will be referred to as 'the goods concerned'. Any reference to 'goods concerned' in this form refers to the goods description above, regardless of the commodity code under which they are exported.

Like goods

Any reference to '**like goods**' in this form refers to goods produced in the UK or imported to the UK from a country other than the People's Republic of China which are like the goods concerned in all respects, or with characteristics closely resembling them.

Instructions

The Trade Remedies Authority (TRA) is responsible for investigating the allegation that Aluminium Extrusions from the People's Republic of China (PRC) are being exported to the United Kingdom (UK) at prices less than their normal value and that this dumping (sales at less than normal value) is causing injury to the UK industry for these goods.

I – Why you are being asked to complete this form

We are seeking your cooperation as an interested party or a contributor, who wishes to participate in this investigation by providing information to help TRA conduct this investigation. The information your organisation provides will help us determine a fair and appropriate response which is in the UK's overall interest. This form allows us to collect basic information and data about your organisation and your interest in this case.

An interested party or a contributor, who could use this form to register their interest in this investigation include, for example:

- · a foreign government;
- a trade or business association representing a UK producer of the like goods, or an exporter or an importer of the goods concerned;
- an upstream supplier to a UK producer of the like goods, or an exporter or an importer of the goods concerned;
- a downstream buyer of the goods concerned and/or like goods;
- a natural person or a legal person.

For more information about this case, you may refer to the Notice of Initiation published at: www.trade-remedies.service.gov.uk/public/cases.

II - Who should complete this form

You should complete this form if you are an interested party or a contributor, who wishes to participate in the Aluminium Extrusions investigation.

If you are producer, importer or exporter of the goods concerned or like goods, please complete the relevant Pre-Sampling Questionnaire.

III – Deadline for response

A completed form must be submitted to the TRA by no later than **06 July 2021**. If you are unable to provide a completed submission by the given due date and you wish to request an extension, please contact the Case Team at: AD0012@traderemedies.gov.uk.

IV - Note about confidentiality

You will need to submit one confidential version and one non-confidential version of this document. Please ensure that each page of information you provide is clearly marked either "Confidential" or "Non-Confidential" in the header. It is your responsibility to ensure that the non-confidential version does not contain any confidential information.

Please see https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-uk-trade-remedies-investigations-process#how-we-handle-confidential-information for further information on what can be considered confidential and how to prepare a non-confidential version of this document.

All information provided to the TRA in confidence will be treated accordingly and only used for this investigation (except in limited circumstance as permitted by regulation 46 of the Trade Remedies (Dumping and Subsidisation) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019) and will be stored in protected systems. The non-confidential version of your submission will be placed on the public file, which is available on www.trade-remedies.service.gov.uk/public/cases.

Section A – Your organisation and your interest in the case

A1 Identity and contact details

Please complete the table below, ensuring that the point of contact given has the authority to provide this information:

| Legal name of company: | Dura Composites Ltd |
|---|---|
| Legal structure (e.g. limited company, sole trader, partnership etc): | Limited Company |
| Year of establishment: | 1996 |
| Other operating names: | N/A |
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A2 Your organisation's interest in the case

To register your organisation's interest in this case, please complete the text boxes below. You should use this form if you are not a producer, importer or exporter of the goods concerned or like goods. For a definition of goods concerned/like goods, please refer to the Notice of Initiation.

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Please describe the role of your organisation with regards to the goods concerned or the like goods:

Please answer here

Dura Composites Ltd are a Queen's award recognised supplier of composites products for flooring, structures and facades.

Dura Composites Ltd design product solutions using our extensive knowledge and practical experience using composite materials.

Dura Composites Ltd offer aluminium decking, bearers, pedestals and cladding product solutions that are concerned in this investigation.

In this instance we have designed several different product ranges, consisting of 58x SKUs, invested in tooling with plant, invested in anti-slip accreditation testing for the aluminium decking product range, invested in marketing materials and also invested in fire testing certification for these products that are going to be affected by this investigation.

Please describe your interest in this case:

Please answer here

Dura Composites Ltd specifically designed, market and sell a range of building cladding and decking products that are within HS Code 7610 90 90 notarised in this investigation.

In the context of the UK Government's regulations and guidelines associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, please state if this has had any impact on your organisation's normal business activity during the Period of Investigation (01/06/2020 – 31/05/2021). If applicable, please provide evidence.

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Please answer here

During the COVID-19 pandemic we have been unable to engage in our normal levels of sales expected for these products notarised within this investigation. This means that the quantities that were sold in the period in question are substantially less than we believe we would have sold had the COVID-19 pandemic not occurred. It is highly important for us to be able to undertake detailed quantitative appraisals of our suppliers' capabilities that includes manufacturing site visits which we have been unable to undertake. Furthermore, should there be a need to consider changing our current sources of supply from China, the respective necessary travel, both national and international, would not currently be feasible nor possible.

Section B - Additional information

Use the box at the end of this section to provide any other relevant information which you think would be useful to help our investigation.

This may include:

- other parties you believe should receive a questionnaire;
- any initial views you have about the possible existence of a particular market situation in the domestic market of the exporting country or territory such as:
 - situations/distortions in the domestic market of the exporting country where prices are artificially low;
 - significant barter trade;
 - o prices reflect non-commercial factors; or
 - o any other reason

which means it is not appropriate to use the comparable price to determine the normal value of the goods concerned;

- the scope of the investigation; or
- anything else you consider relevant.

Please answer here

If the anti-dumping was to go ahead this would make an entire product range offered by Dura Composites Ltd unviable versus competing products in the range of decking and cladding.

As we are also looking in to selling these product ranges internationally should the this levy proceed then it will further damage our abilities to compete on a global scale.

In addition, if your organisation buys the goods concerned and/or like goods, please provide the following information for the POI (01/06/2020-31/05/2021):

| Number of UK sites using the goods concerned and/or like goods | Confidential |
|---|--------------|
| Number of employees at UK sites using the goods concerned and/or like goods | Confidential |
| Total production which uses the goods concerned and/or like goods during POI (volume, in metric tonnes) | Confidential |
| Total production which uses the goods concerned and/or like goods during POI (value, in £) | Confidential |
| Name of supplier(s) of the goods concerned and/or like goods | Confidential |

Section C - Certification

The undersigned certifies that the information supplied herein is correct and complete to the best of his/her knowledge and belief.

The undersigned certifies that he/she has the authority to supply the information contained herein on behalf of his/her organisation.

Signature (including e-signature):

(**Please do not fill in the 'Name' or 'Position at Company' sections on your company's **non-confidential version** of this questionnaire**)

Name: Matthew Wootten

Position at organisation: UK & Overseas Purchasing Manager

Date: 06/07/2021