Anti-Dumping Questionnaire (Contributors and Interested Parties) Case TD0014: Heavy Plate imported from The People's Republic of China

Period of Investigation (POI):	1 January 2021 – 31 December 2021
Injury period:	1 January 2018 – 31 December 2021
Deadline for response:	11 April 2022
Contact details:	TD0014@traderemedies.gov.uk
Completed on behalf of:	UK Steel (part of Make UK, the Manufacturers' Organisation – legally registered as EEF Limited)

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- □ Confidential
- X Non-confidential will be made publicly available

Please note that you will have to provide a **Confidential** and a **Non-Confidential** version of both the questionnaire and annex, as well as any additional documents you append. All documents should be uploaded to the Trade Remedies Service (www.trade-remedies.service.gov.uk) by 11 April 2022.

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Introduction

About us, this case and this questionnaire

The Trade Remedies Authority (TRA) investigates whether trade remedies are needed to prevent injury to UK industry. The TRA has been established to provide the UK with its own independent trade remedies system.

As part of our work, we are carrying out a transition review of each trade remedy measure active under the EU system that the United Kingdom (UK) has decided to maintain after EU exit.

This transition review will consider whether the anti-dumping measure for heavy plate from The People's Republic of China – a customs duty on imports that protects against dumping – is necessary or sufficient to offset dumping, whether dumping would be likely to occur if the measure were removed, and whether there would be injury to the UK industry if this measure was removed

Why should I take part?

We are asking contributors and interested parties to complete this questionnaire to inform our review of whether the current anti-dumping amount should be maintained, varied or discontinued.

Please refer to our online guidance to understand more about <u>how we carry out</u> <u>transition reviews into EU measures</u> and the <u>differences between interested parties</u> <u>and contributors</u>.

How do I respond?

Detailed guidance on how to complete the questionnaire is provided in the <u>instructions</u> section below.

Please provide all the information requested by 11 April 2022. We may send a notice asking for clarification or supplementary information where necessary. Make sure you provide the sources for any information or data you don't own and clearly state any restrictions on sharing it.

Where can I find more information?

Our <u>trade remedies guidance</u> provides more information about our investigations and processes we follow.

If you have any specific questions relating to the case, now or while you're completing the questionnaire, please contact the Case Team at

<u>TD0014@traderemedies.gov.uk</u>. For general information about trade remedies processes, please see our <u>online guidance</u>.

You can also find out more about the regulatory basis of our investigations. The TRA investigates cases under the provisions of *Trade Remedies (Dumping and Subsidisation) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019, as amended.*

Instructions on completing this questionnaire

Preparing your response

This section sets out guidance on how to complete this questionnaire

If you think you won't be able to complete the questionnaire within the required time, please contact the Case Team ahead of the deadline using the contact details on the cover of this questionnaire. You should outline the length of extension you need and the reasons why. We will notify you of our decision.

If we can accommodate an extension, we will publish a note on our <u>public file</u> to record both the request and the extension granted.

Preparing confidential and non-confidential copies

You will need to submit one confidential version and one non-confidential version of your questionnaire by the due date. We will publish the non-confidential version on the public file. Please ensure that each page of information you provide is clearly marked either "Confidential" or "Non-Confidential" in the header.

Please see our guidance on <u>how to submit information</u> for further details on what can be considered confidential and how to prepare a non-confidential version of this questionnaire.

In preparing your response, please note the following:

- It is your responsibility to ensure that the non-confidential version does not contain any confidential information.
- Remember to include a statement explaining why information obtained in your response should be treated as confidential e.g. the data is commercially sensitive. If you consider it is not possible to provide us with a non-confidential version of this questionnaire, for example where summarising the information may compromise its confidentiality, you must provide a statement of reasons.
- Provide the source for all information or data you don't own and clearly state any restrictions on sharing it.
- If you do not provide a non-confidential summary (or a statement of reasons why you cannot provide this) each time you provide confidential information, the TRA may disregard the information you give us.

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 <u>www.trade-remedies.service.gov.uk/public/cases</u>.

How to complete this questionnaire

All statements should be substantiated with relevant data, information and the sources of these. You may be asked to attach supporting documents in appendices to supplement your responses. To help us verify your information, please retain all your supporting documents, including any calculations made when developing your responses.

Please also note the following points:

- Do not leave any questions blank. If the question is not relevant to your organisation, please explain why. If the answer to a question is "zero", "no" or "none", please write this.
- Please provide all formulas and calculations used within your questionnaire response.
- If there is insufficient space in any part of the questionnaire to provide the details requested, or we ask for copies of additional information, please submit this information as appendices. Please ensure that any attachments are given a corresponding appendix reference in the title of the document and that these are referenced in the boxes provided.
- Any documents not in English should be accompanied by an English translation.
- Please provide all dates in the format DD/MM/YYYY (e.g. 23/05/2019).
- Unless otherwise stated, 'year' or 'calendar year' refers to the period 1 January 31 December and 'quarter' refers to the associated three-month periods e.g. 1 January – 31 March, 1 April – 30 June, etc.
- Identify all units of measurement and currencies used in tables, calculations and lists, if not provided by the corresponding instructions, and use units of measurement consistently (e.g. do not use kg and metric tonnes interchangeably).
- For all numerical figures, where appropriate please express every third number with a comma (e.g. '1,300' for one-thousand three hundred, '1,300,000' for one million and three-hundred thousand).
- Please limit all sales/currency/income figures to two decimal places, apply a full point as a decimal separator and use the appropriate currency symbol or abbreviation (e.g. £1,300.00).
- Provide all costing figures as actual amounts. Where actual amounts cannot be provided and you have reported standard costing instead, please indicate this in the relevant answer, and explain the variance from actual costs, if any.
- All figures should be reported net of tax unless otherwise stated.
- Please refer to the case number, TD0014, in any correspondence with the TRA.

What happens next

Once you have completed your questionnaire responses, you must upload confidential and non-confidential versions along with any additional documents you're providing through our <u>Trade Remedies Service</u>. Following this:

- you will receive an email confirming the documents have been uploaded successfully;
- the Case Team will contact you if further information is required; and
- the non-confidential responses will be placed on the public file.

For further information please refer to our guidance on <u>how we carry out transition</u> reviews into EU measures

The scope of this review

Goods subject to review

This review covers heavy plate exported from The People's Republic of China, described as:

Flat products of non-alloy or alloy steel (excluding stainless steel, silicon-electrical steel, tool steel and high-speed steel), hot-rolled, not clad, plated or coated, not in coils, of a thickness exceeding 10mm and of a width of 600mm or more or of a thickness of 4.75mm or more but not exceeding 10mm and of a width of 2.05m or more.

These **goods** are currently classifiable within the following CN code(s) 72 08 51 20 10, 72 08 51 91 10, 72 08 51 98 10, 72 08 52 91 10, 72 08 90 20 10, 72 08 90 80 20, 72 25 40 40 00, 72 25 40 60 10, 72 25 99 00 45.

These codes are only given for information.

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

SECTION A: About the case

A1 General information

1. Please complete the table below. Make sure the point of contact you name has the authority to provide this information.

Name (point of contact):	
Address:	
Telephone No:	
Email:	
Website:	https://www.makeuk.org/about/uk-steel

If you are representing a company, please also fill in the information below:

Company registration number:	05950172
Place of registration:	Broadway House, Tothill Street, London, SW1H
	9NQ
Legal name of organisation:	EEF Limited
Legal structure (e.g. limited	Limited Company
company, sole trader,	
partnership etc):	
Position in the organisation:	Trade and Economics Policy Manager
Year of establishment:	1896
Other operating names:	Make UK

2. Please explain your interest in this review.

UK Steel represents the interests of the UK's steel producing companies, including those of the product forming the subject of this transition review: Heavy Plate

UK Steel welcomes the opening of this transition review. It is critical that the transitioned anti-dumping measures on Heavy Plate from the People's Republic of China be maintained at their current levels.

Appendix reference:

A2 Information about this review

For each question, please give any information you feel is relevant to the case. If you have no information, please say so in your answer. This transition review will

consider whether the current anti-dumping amount is necessary or sufficient to offset dumping and whether there would be injury to the UK industry if the measure was removed.

1. Please provide any information about the goods subject to review that you consider relevant.

Please refer to Section 1.2 of the Appendix.

Appendix reference:

Provide any information which you think could help us assess the likelihood of dumping occurring if the existing anti-dumping measure for the goods subject to review no longer applied.

Please refer to Sections 1 and 2 of the Appendix.

Appendix reference:

3. Do you think there would be injury to the UK industry if the existing anti-dumping measure for the goods subject to review no longer applied? Provide any information supporting your conclusions including what the cause of this injury would be. You can refer to our <u>guidance on how we assess injury</u> for a definition of injury.

Please refer to Section 2 of the Appendix.

Appendix reference:

 Please provide any information about the possible economic effects on the UK if the existing anti-dumping measure on the goods subject to review were no longer applied.

Please refer to Section 3 of the Appendix.

Appendix reference:

5. If you have any other information which may help us with this review, please provide it below.

Please refer to Section 4 of the Appendix.

Appendix reference:

Trade Remedies Authority

SECTION B: Next steps

Next steps

Please submit this questionnaire through the Trade Remedies Service (<u>www.trade-remedies.service.gov.uk</u>) by **11 April 2022.**

A confidential and non-confidential version of the questionnaire must be submitted. You can find guidance on how to complete confidential and non-confidential versions in our guidance on how to submit information.