

# PROPOSED REVISION TO SCOPE AND EXPANSION OF REVIEW OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

# Tariff Rate Quota Review – Review of Developing Country Exception for Category 13 Steel - Rebar

## **Review No. TQ0030**

Following the initiation of Developing Country Exception (DCE) Review TQ0030, the TRA is proposing to:

- 1. Revise the scope of the review to include all categories of steel subject to the safeguard measure; and
- 2. Expand the review to include all DCEs.

### Revision of scope to include all categories of steel

Under Regulation 13 of The Trade Remedies (Increase in Imports Causing Serious Injury to UK Producers) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 ("the Regulations"), the TRA is considering revising the scope of the DCEs TRQ review into category 13 steel products (TQ0030) to include all categories of steel subject to the safeguard measure. A review of all the steel categories will allow the TRA to assess whether the DCEs in place are still appropriate, individually or collectively.

In accordance with Regulation 13(3), the TRA invites comments from interested parties and contributors during the consultation period of 16 January – 30 January 2023. After considering the factors listed under Regulation 13(4) and any comments from interested parties and contributors, if the TRA determines to revise the scope of the review, we will issue an amended Notice of Initiation under Regulation 13(5).

#### Expansion to include all DCEs

Separately, under Regulation 36 of the Regulations, the TRA is proposing to expand the matters to be considered in the DCE TRQ review to examine all the DCEs currently in place under the safeguard measure. Examining all the DCEs will allow the TRA to assess whether the exceptions in place are still appropriate, individually or collectively.

In accordance with Regulation 36(2), the TRA invites comments from interested parties during the consultation period of 16 January – 30 January 2023.

If you have additional comments beyond the proposed expansion to the DCE, please provide these comments in the same consultation period.

#### How to provide comments on the proposals

Comments and submissions can be made in the Interested Party Registration Form, or uploaded onto the Trade Remedies Service until **30 January 2023**. Any

submissions made after the deadline may not be taken into consideration for this review.

To help the TRA fully take account of all views, we ask interested parties submitting evidence to observe the requirement to provide both a confidential and non-confidential version.