**Extensions - Note to Public File**

**Note to the public file summarising time extensions granted for submission of questionnaires – TS0023 Stainless Steel Bars and Rods.**

The Trade Remedies Authority (TRA) received applications for extensions of time to submit the overseas government questionnaire and the exporter questionnaire.

Having considered the applications, the TRA has determined that granting extensions would not significantly impede the progress of the investigation and has therefore decided to grant extensions to the following parties:

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| **Interested party name** | **Reason for granting extension** | **New due date for completed questionnaire response** |
| Trade Defence Wing, India | This extension is necessitated since collection, review and finalization of data along with supporting documentations for submission are taking time since large number of information need to be collected from various departments of GOI and State Government. Also the team of GOI is equally engaged in their regular & day-to-day office obligations. | 20 September 2022 |
| Viraj Profiles Pvt., Ltd (VPPL) | * This is the first time that VPPL is participating in a transition review before the TRA, under the TRA’s new procedures since the UK left the European Union (EU), which required some time to get familiarised with the process and reporting requirements, including by related companies.
* VPPL has been gathering data on imports and exports but needs to cross-check that the information is coherent among different sources.
* VPPL is based in India, in the State of Maharashtra. The festival of Ganesh Chaturthi is celebrated in Maharashtra on 31 August. This public holiday has disrupted all operations in Maharashtra, including absences of key VPPL staff involved in the questionnaire reply preparation, which resulted in additional delays in the course of this week.
* VPPL is currently involved in other investigations, which places additional work burden on VPPL’s human and technical resources.
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