Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE

TOPIC: Analysis of the Steel Fabrication Industry

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Carr

QUESTION No.: AI-144

Is the Anti-dumping Commission currently undertaking an analysis of the steel fabrication industry in Australia? If so, please provide a summary outlining what the Commission is investigating and why.

ANSWER

Yes. The Anti-Dumping Commission is currently undertaking a market analysis of Australia's steel fabrication industry.

In summary, the market analysis will:

- assess the current structure and state of Australia's steel fabrication industry
- consider impacts from developments in global steel markets and the impact of dumping and subsidisation on steel fabricated products
- set out evidence-based observations from the analysis, including views expressed by industry participants on issues and challenges for the steel fabrication industry and on any issues or challenges specific to SMEs in the industry.

The Anti-Dumping Commission is undertaking this analysis to improve its understanding of the industry and trading behaviours in steel fabrication markets, and to better inform the Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission and other interested parties.