

Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Industry, Innovation and Science Portfolio
2016 - 2017 Additional Estimates
2 March 2017

DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE

TOPIC: Anti-Dumping SMEs

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Carr

QUESTION No.: AI-145

What work is the Anti-Dumping Commission doing to improve access to the anti-dumping system from small to medium sized enterprises (SMEs)?

ANSWER

In an effort to enhance access to the anti-dumping system, the Anti-Dumping Commission has in recent years improved information and guidance and increased the transparency of its processes. At the same time, the Government has expanded the International Trade Remedies Advisory service for SMEs.

In November 2016, the Commissioner established a working group of the International Trade Remedies Forum (ITRF) to consider barriers to SME access to the anti-dumping system and identify options for improving access to the system for SMEs.

The SME access sub-committee has sought the views of a range of SMEs and considered proposals to assist SMEs access the anti-dumping system. The Anti-Dumping Commission provides secretariat services to the ITRF and to the sub-committee. The ITRF will soon provide a paper to government outlining options for improving SME access.