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### Safeguard measures on certain steel products

#### Case: TF0006

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| Period of Investigation (POI): | 2013 - 2017  |
| Most Recent Period (MRP):      | 1 January 2018 to 30 June 2020                                 |
| Deadline for response:         | 15 October 2020  |
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| Completed on behalf of:        | Hadley Industries Limited                                      |

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## Section A – Your organisation’s interest in the case

To register your organisation’s interest in this case, please complete the text boxes below. You should use this form if you are not a UK producer, UK importer or overseas exporter of the goods subject to review, like goods or directly competitive goods. For a definition of goods subject to review/ like goods/ directly competitive goods, please refer to the Notice of Initiation.

1. Please describe the role of your organisation in relation to the goods subject to review, like goods or directly competitive goods:

*Hadley Industries is one of the largest end users of steel Cat 4A in the United Kingdom, and consumes 85,000 tonnes pa of this product.*

*The Company manufactures cold rolled steel sections, which are mainly used in the construction sector, producing products such as Purlins, channel and tracks for Dry Wall Lining systems, Drainage Products, Window reinforcements etc.*

2. Please describe your interest in this case:

*The Cat 4A product, is not produced in any volume by domestic UK steel mills and therefore the UK market (construction and manufacturing) relies on imports from the EU and ROW suppliers in Taiwan, Vietnam, Turkey, India, S Korea etc.*

*The 4A quota that has been transition from the previous EU steel quota scheme, appears to have some issues that need to be addressed quickly, as supply is presently being constrained and is starting to impact end users, with a number of manufacturers having to halt production in early 2021.*

*The 2 main issues are:-*

- *The EU proportion of the Import Quota (69%) is significantly higher than the historic percentage arriving from the EU and therefore importing from outside the EU is challenging as the quota is not large enough. For some 4A products with gauges under 0.6mm, the majority of EU steel mills do not want to supply any material.*
- *Due to low stocks in the UK in early 2021 (associated with a lack of buying activity in Q2/Q3 2020 associated with Covid-19 risk) , there needs to be a significant ramp up in purchasing during 2022 to realign the supply chain stocks with*



*demand. However, the quota system does not give the flexibility to increase import volumes and based on the fact that the domestic mills can't help with this situation, at present there is no solution and low supply chain stocks will be an ongoing issue throughout 2021 and into 2022.*

*To rectify the above, we suggest that one of the below 2 options is initiated quickly:-*

- The 4A quota is temporarily suspended (1 year)*
- The 4A quota from outside the EU is increased significantly (X3) for a given time period.*

*There is also an argument that due to the domestic mill only producing very limited tonnes of Cat 4A steel, the category should be terminated for UK imports.*



## Section B – Additional information

Use the box below to provide any other relevant information which you think would be useful to help our review.

This may include:

- other parties which you think should be invited to register an interest in the case;
- scope of the review, including product categories and/or custom codes you think should be added or removed, and reasons why; or
- anything else you consider relevant.

*Please answer here*



## **Section C – Certification**

The undersigned certifies that the information supplied herein is correct and complete to the best of their knowledge and belief.

The undersigned certifies that they have the authority to supply the information contained herein on behalf of Hadley Industries Limited

Signature (including e-signature):

Name:

Position at the organisation: Director of Procurement

Date 19/02/2021