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cc Senator the Hon Tim Ayres, Minister for Industry and Innovation and Minister for Science
cc Meghan Quinn PSM, Secretary, Department of Industry, Science and Resources

Dear Ministers

Thank you for your letter of 4 July 2025 seeking assistance to identify regulatory reform opportunities within the Anti-Dumping Commission (Commission) to bolster productivity growth.

As requested, I have sought to identify and propose substantial, material and measurable actions that the Commission can implement that will directly support productivity. These include the Commission's recent work, work currently in development and opportunities still to scope and deliver.

The actions to realise these opportunities are concrete and tangible, have identifiable implementation pathways, can be delivered within existing resources (including the election commitment of \$5 million to the Commission to strengthen the anti-dumping system), and do not compromise the Commission's core regulatory objectives and protections. I have prioritised measures that can be implemented in the near term, and measures that do not require legislative change.

The proposed reforms (in the attached table) are divided into two categories.

The Commission's recent work/work currently in development:

1. Introducing a Pre-Application Service to help businesses navigate the anti-dumping application and investigation procedures.
2. Streamlining application and information processes to improve stakeholder experience.
3. Providing critical trade data to industry stakeholders by strengthening inter-governmental data sharing, addressing a problem identified the International Trade Remedies Forum.
4. Upgrading the Case Management System to enhance functionality and enable faster processing times.

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Opportunities still to deliver

5. Enhancing accessibility and reducing engagement barriers for small and medium enterprises (SMEs) within the anti-dumping system.
6. Expanding educational efforts to raise awareness among Australian industries about the anti-dumping system and improve access.
7. Upgrading the Anti-Dumping Commission's website to improve usability and stakeholder interaction.
8. Developing an administrative framework for faster processing of exemption applications where they are not opposed by Australian industry.

An optimised anti-dumping system can deliver significant productivity gains by ensuring a level playing field for industry. It enables fairly traded imports to compete with Australian industry while preventing harm caused by dumped and subsidised imports. The current opportunities identified by the Commission are designed to strengthen the system and more effectively uphold the principle of a fair and competitive market environment.

While a broader policy issue, the Commission also supports a broader examination of Australia's anti-dumping system which may go beyond the immediate priorities of the Roundtable. Such reform could aim to modernise the anti-dumping system to ensure it is fit-for-purpose in response to an evolving domestic and global trading environment.

The Commission's experience in administering Australia's anti-dumping system has demonstrated that reform is necessary to strengthen the system's efficiency, effectiveness and timeliness. One key issue is the current legislative framework, which is highly detailed and prescriptive. While designed to ensure rigour, its level of complexity often results in procedural inefficiencies and limits the system's ability to remain agile in the face of changing trade dynamics and responsive to industry requirements. For instance, industry has called for a more joined-up approach to Australia's trade remedies system, including the Safeguards mechanism.

The Commission has worked closely with the Department of Industry, Science and Resources to identify and develop the list of reform opportunities attached to this letter.

I would be pleased to discuss this list of opportunities further if required. My contact details are:

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Yours sincerely

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