



# **AMWU Submission to the Productivity Commission Safeguards inquiry into the import of fabricated structural steel**

The AMWU submits that responsibility for this investigation should be transferred to the Anti-Dumping Commission (ADC), as the Productivity Commission has demonstrated a consistent historical incapacity to conduct safeguard investigations appropriately.

The ADC operates under a clear statement of expectations oriented toward creating a level playing field for Australian industry and manufacturing, whereas the Productivity Commission's outdated remit and institutional culture reflect a disposition toward preserving structures that have enabled the ongoing exploitation of Australian workers and industries.

The AMWU further calls for the abolition of the Productivity Commission. Since its inception, the Commission has maintained an ideological affinity with the failed neoliberal experiment. The advice it has produced — and which successive governments have implemented — has contributed directly to the sustained decline of Australian productivity and the erosion of real wages.

Yours sincerely,

NATIONAL SECRETARY