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Syrah files petition to investigate Chinese anode export prices

Highlights

- Syrah, together with several North American graphite companies, submitted a petition to US Department of Commerce and International Trade Commission to investigate "dumping" of certain graphite products from China in the United States at unsustainable and unfair prices
- Investigation may result in the US Government imposing additional tariffs on Chinese graphite AAM products if unfair pricing is confirmed
- Additional tariff actions will help protect the North American graphite AAM industry from China's trade practices and support ex-China graphite AAM supply chain development.

Syrah Resources Limited (ASX: SYR) ("Syrah" or "the Company") announces its wholly owned subsidiary, Syrah Technologies LLC ("Syrah Technologies") filed an antidumping and countervailing duty ("AD/CVD") petition with the U.S. Department of Commerce ("DOC") and the International Trade Commission ("ITC") to investigate exports, at unsustainable and unfair prices, of natural graphite and synthetic graphite active anode material ("AAM") products from China to the United States used in lithium-ion batteries. The Company filed the Petition alongside members from the North American Graphite Alliance ("NAGA")¹.

Graphite is a critical mineral in the United States and is the most significant mineral by mass in lithium-ion batteries. The supply of graphite AAM, and its feedstocks and precursor materials, are highly concentrated in China². It is apparent that China is employing an overcapacity strategy in synthetic graphite AAM resulting in suppliers from China selling graphite AAM into the United States battery market at unfair prices in some cases underpinned by support from the Chinese Government. These actions are creating significant challenges for ex-China natural graphite and AAM companies and denying such companies a fair opportunity to compete for graphite AAM sales and invest in further expansion of AAM production capacity in the United States.

In September 2024, the US Trade Representative ("USTR") finalised actions concerning tariffs on certain imports into the USA from China under Section 301 of the Trade Act to counter unfair and market distortive trade practices by Chinese suppliers. It reinstated a 25% tariff on both natural graphite and synthetic graphite AAM products from China imported into the United States from 15 June 2024³ and increased tariffs to 25% on natural graphite flake and uncoated graphite powder products, including uncoated purified spherical graphite from China imported into the US from 1 January 2026⁴. Notwithstanding a 25% import tariff imposed under the Section 301 tariffs on both natural and synthetic graphite AAM⁵, Chinese exporters can absorb these costs by selling graphite at prices below aggregate production costs, which further distorts the market.

The petition was submitted on December 18, 2024. An investigation into Chinese graphite AAM suppliers is expected to be conducted under AD/CVD laws in the United States, with ITC assessing whether the US domestic graphite AAM industry has been harmed by Chinese supplier pricing and DOC determining if Chinese suppliers have sold graphite AAM at below fair value and/or if the Chinese Government has subsidised Chinese graphite AAM production. ITC will conduct a hearing in early January 2025, is expected to provide a preliminary determination in February 2025, and complete its AD/CVD investigation and make a final determination by January 2026. DOC will also initiate an investigation in January 2025 and

¹ NAGA represents American and Canadian producers of battery-grade natural and synthetic graphite, including Anovion Technologies, Epsilon Advanced Materials, Novonix, and SKI US.

² Oxford Economics. Enabling North American Graphite Growth. March 2024

³ USTR Federal Register Notice detailing Biden Administration new tariff announcement.

⁴ USTR Federal Register Notice detailing Section 301 tariff changes.

⁵ US Trade Representative Federal Register Notice detailing Section 301 tariff changes.

issue a preliminary determination by May 2025. If the investigation proves conclusive, DOC will issue an antidumping order and may assess additional AD/CVD duties on Chinese graphite AAM imports into the United States by January 2026.

Syrah's AD/CVD petition reflects its commitment to trade practices that do not undermine fair competition, and the Company will work closely with ITC and DOC to achieve an outcome that protects the strategically important graphite AAM industry in North America.

This release was authorised on behalf of the Syrah Board by

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Syrah (ASX code: SYR) is an Australian Securities Exchange listed industrial minerals and technology company with its flagship Balama Graphite Operation in Mozambique and a downstream Active Anode Material Facility in the United States. Syrah's vision is to be the world's leading supplier of superior quality graphite and anode material products, working closely with customers and the supply chain to add value in battery and industrial markets.

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