

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

**CERTAIN BEVERAGE DISPENSING
SYSTEMS AND COMPONENTS
THEREOF**

Inv. No. 337-TA-1130

**NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF INITIAL DETERMINATION
ON VIOLATION OF SECTION 337**

Administrative Law Judge MaryJoan McNamara

(September 5, 2019)

I have issued today in this Investigation the Final Initial Determination (“ID”) on Violation of Section 337 of the Tariff Act, as amended, 19 U.S.C. § 1337 (“Section 337”). A recommendation on remedy and bond will issue shortly in another document.

I have found that Complainants Heineken International B.V., Heineken Supply Chain B.V., and Heineken USA Inc. (collectively, “Complainants” or “Heineken”), have proven by a preponderance of evidence that Respondents Anheuser-Busch InBev S.A., InBev Belgium N.V., and Anheuser-Busch, LLC (collectively, “Respondents” or “ABI”), have violated subsection (b) of Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, or the sale within the United States after importation of certain beverage dispensing systems and components thereof.

I have found that ABI has infringed asserted claims 1, 3, 7, and 10 of U.S. Patent No. 7,188,751 (“the ’751 patent”), and that the asserted claims of the ’751 patent are valid.

I have found that Heineken’s domestic industry products have satisfied the technical industry prong of the domestic industry requirement for the ’751 patent, and that Heineken has

satisfied the economic prong of the domestic industry requirement under Section 337(a)(3)(A) and (a)(3)(B).

SO ORDERED.

MaryJoan McNamara
Administrative Law Judge