

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

**CERTAIN HYBRID ELECTRIC
VEHICLES AND COMPONENTS
THEREOF**

Investigation No. 337-TA-1042

**NOTICE OF COMMISSION DECISION NOT TO REVIEW
AN INITIAL DETERMINATION EXTENDING THE TARGET DATE**

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission has determined not to review an initial determination (“ID”) (Order No. 35) of the presiding Administrative Law Judge (“ALJ”) extending the target date in the above-captioned investigation from July 10, 2018 to August 10, 2018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Houda Morad, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 708-4716. Copies of non-confidential documents filed in connection with this investigation are or will be available for inspection during official business hours (8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.) in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server at <https://www.usitc.gov>. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket (EDIS) at <https://edis.usitc.gov>. Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission’s TDD terminal on (202) 205-1810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission instituted Investigation No. 337-TA-1042 on March 10, 2017, based on a complaint filed by Paice LLC and Abell Foundation, Inc. of Baltimore, Maryland. *See* 82 FR 13363-64 (Mar. 10, 2017). The complaint, as supplemented, alleges violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1337), based upon the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain hybrid electric vehicles and components thereof by reason of infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent No. 7,104,347; U.S. Patent No. 7,237,634; U.S. Patent No. 7,455,134; U.S. Patent No. 7,559,388; and U.S. Patent No. 8,214,097. *See id.* The notice of investigation named Ford Motor Company of Dearborn, Michigan as a respondent in this investigation. *See id.* The Office of Unfair Import Investigations is not a party to this investigation. *See id.*

On March 5, 2018, the parties filed a joint motion to extend the due dates on the procedural schedule by thirty days, in view of the parties' settlement agreement. On March 5, 2018, the ALJ issued the subject ID (Order No. 35) granting the parties' joint motion and extending the target date from July 10, 2018 to August 10, 2018. The ID agrees that "good cause exists to grant the [parties' joint] motion" and finds that "[g]ranteeing the motion permits private resolution of disputes to avoid unnecessary litigation, and promotes the conservation of private and public resources." *See* Order No. 35 at 1-2.

No petition for review of the ID was filed.

The Commission has determined not to review the ID.

The authority for the Commission's determination is contained in section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1337), and in part 210 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR part 210).

By order of the Commission.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lisa R. Barton".

Lisa R. Barton
Secretary to the Commission

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