

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

**CERTAIN FOODSERVICE EQUIPMENT
AND COMPONENTS THEREOF**

Investigation No. 337-TA-1166

**NOTICE OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION 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 the presiding administrative law judge's ("ALJ") initial determination ("ID") (Order No. 62) extending the target date for completion of the above-captioned investigation to October 4, 2021.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cathy Chen, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone 202-205-2392. Copies of non-confidential documents filed in connection with this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <https://edis.usitc.gov>. For help accessing EDIS, please email EDIS3Help@usitc.gov. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server at <https://www.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 this investigation on July 3, 2019, based on a complaint filed on behalf of Illinois Tool Works, Inc. of Glenview, Illinois; Vesta Global Limited of Hong Kong; Vesta (Guangzhou) Catering Equipment Co., Ltd. of China; and Admiral Craft Equipment Corp. of Westbury, New York (collectively, "Complainants"). 84 FR 31911 (Jul. 3, 2019). 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 of articles into the United States, or in the sale of such articles by the owner, importer, or consignee of certain foodservice equipment and components thereof by reason of misappropriation of trade secrets and unfair competition through tortious interference with contractual relationships, the threat or effect of which is to destroy or substantially injure a domestic industry. *Id.* at 31911-12. The notice of investigation named Guangzhou Rebenet Catering Equipment Manufacturing Co., Ltd.; Zhou Hao; Aceplus International Limited (aka Ace Plus International Ltd.); Guangzhou

Liangsheng Trading Co., Ltd.; and Zeng Zhaoliang, all of China as respondents. *Id.* at 31912. The Office of Unfair Import Investigations (“OUII”) is also named as a party in this investigation. *Id.*

On July 9, 2020, the ALJ issued Order No. 52, granting OUII’s motion for summary determination of no substantial injury to a domestic industry under section 337(a)(1)(A). On December 14, 2020, the Commission determined to review Order No. 52 in its entirety. 85 FR 82515-516 (Dec. 18, 2020). On review, the Commission reversed the ALJ’s grant of summary determination of no substantial injury to Complainants’ alleged domestic industry and remanded the investigation to the ALJ for further proceedings consistent with the Commission’s order and concurrent opinion. *Id.* at 82516.

On April 24, 2020, the ALJ issued the subject ID (Order No. 62) extending the target date to October 4, 2021, to accommodate the new hearing dates. Based on this target date, the deadline for issuing the final ID is June 4, 2021. The ALJ issued the order as an ID because the new target date is more than 16 months from the date of institution. *See* 19 CFR 210.51(a)(1). No petitions for review were filed.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID. The target date for completion of the above-captioned investigation is October 4, 2021.

The Commission vote for this determination took place on February 23, 2021.

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.



Lisa R. Barton
Secretary to the Commission

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