## UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

CERTAIN LITHIUM-ION BATTERY CELLS, BATTERY MODULES, BATTERY PACKS, COMPONENTS THEREOF, AND PRODUCTS CONTAINING THE SAME

**Investigation No. 337-TA-1181** 

## NOTICE OF A 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 ("Commission") has determined not to review an initial determination ("ID") (Order No. 45) of the presiding administrative law judge ("ALJ"), which extended the target date for the completion of the investigation. The new target date is August 2, 2021, with the final ID on violation to be issued by April 2, 2021.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**: On November 4, 2019, the Commission instituted this investigation based on a complaint filed by LG Chem, Ltd. of Seoul, Republic of Korea; LG Chem Michigan Inc. of Holland, Michigan; and Toray Industries, Inc. of Tokyo, Japan. 84 FR 59415 (Nov. 4, 2019). The complaint, as supplemented, alleges violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, due to the importation into the United States, sale for importation, or sale in the United States after importation of certain lithium-ion battery cells, battery modules, battery packs, components thereof, and products containing the same that purportedly infringe one or more claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 7,662,517; 7,638,241; 7,709,152;

and 7,771,877. *Id.* The complaint also alleges the existence of a domestic industry. *Id.* The notice of investigation names SK Innovation Co., Ltd., of Seoul, Republic of Korea and SK Battery America, Inc., of Atlanta, Georgia as respondents. *Id.* The Office of Unfair Import Investigations was not named as a party. *Id.* 

On March 18, 2021, the ALJ issued the subject ID, which extended the target date for the completion of the investigation. The ALJ set the new target date as August 2, 2021, with the final ID on violation to be issued by April 2, 2021. No petitions for review of the subject ID were filed.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID. Accordingly, the target date is August 2, 2021, and the final initial determination is due on April 2, 2021.

The Commission vote for this determination took place on April 1, 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.

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Secretary to the Commission

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