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


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. 51) of the presiding administrative law judge ("ALJ") extending the target date for completion of the investigation by seven days to July 12, 2022.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On January 26, 2021, the Commission instituted this investigation under section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, based on a complaint filed by Amphenol Corp. of Wallingford, Connecticut ("Amphenol," or "Complainant"). 86 FR 7104-05 (Jan. 26, 2021). The complaint alleged a violation of section 337 in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, or the sale within the United States after importation of electrical connectors and cages, components thereof, and products containing the same by reason of infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 7,371,117 ("the ’117 patent"); 8,371,875 ("the ’875 patent"); 8,864,521 ("the ’521 patent"); 9,705,255 ("the ’255 patent"); and 10,381,767 ("the ’767 patent"). The complaint also alleged the existence of a domestic industry. The notice of investigation names as respondents:
Luxshare Precision Industry Co., Ltd. and Dongguan Luxshare Precision Industry Co. Ltd., both of Qingxi Town, Dongguan City, Guangdong Province, China; Luxshare Precision Limited (HK) of Fotan, New Territories, Hong Kong; and Luxshare-ICT Inc. of Milpitas, California. \textit{Id.} at 7104. The Commission’s Office of Unfair Import Investigations is not named as a party in this investigation. \textit{Id.}

Subsequently, the ALJ granted Complainant’s motion for partial termination of the investigation by withdrawal of the ’875 and the ’521 patents, and claims 2, 14, 17-19, and 25-27 of the ’117 patent; claims 1-3, 5-8, and 18 of the ’255 patent; and claims 2-3, 7, 14, 20-22, 30, and 32 of the ’767 patent. \textit{See Order No. 29 (Oct. 13, 2021), unreviewed by Comm’n Notice (Nov. 3, 2021).} The ALJ also granted-in-part and denied-in-part Complainant’s motion for summary determination that it satisfied the importation requirement. \textit{Order No. 34 (Oct. 28, 2021), unreviewed by Comm’n Notice (Nov. 29, 2021).} The ALJ likewise granted-in-part Respondents’ motion for summary determination of no importation. \textit{Order No. 35 (Oct. 28, 2021), under Commission review by Notice (Nov. 29, 2021).} Furthermore, the target date for completion of the investigation was extended to July 5, 2022. \textit{Order No. 50 (Jan. 24, 2022), unreviewed by Comm’n Notice (Feb. 16, 2022).}

On March 4, 2022, the ALJ issued an ID (Order No. 51) extending the target date for completion of the investigation by seven days, \textit{i.e.,} from July 5 to July 12, 2022. The ID noted that an additional extension of the target date by seven days is necessary to finalize editing the final initial determination. \textit{ID at 1.} The ID found good cause to extend the target date of this investigation to July 12, 2022. \textit{Id. at 1-2.} The ID noted that the final initial determination on violation shall be due no later than March 11, 2022. \textit{Id. at 2.} The final ID did, in fact, issue on March 11, 2022. No party petitioned for review of the ID.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID. Accordingly, the target date of this investigation is July 12, 2022.

The Commission vote for this determination took place on March 21, 2022.


By order of the Commission.

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