

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

**CERTAIN AUTOMATED
RETRACTABLE VEHICLE STEPS AND
COMPONENTS THEREOF**

Investigation No. 337-TA-1345

**NOTICE OF A COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW
AN INITIAL DETERMINATION SETTING AN 18-MONTH 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. 3) of the presiding administrative law judge (“ALJ”), setting an 18-month target date for completion of the investigation.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission instituted this investigation on December 6, 2022. 87 FR 74661 (Dec. 6, 2022). The complaint, as supplemented, alleges violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, or the sale within the United States after importation of certain automated retractable vehicle steps and components thereof by the infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent No. 9,272,667; U.S. Patent No. 9,527,449; U.S. Patent No. 9,511,717; and U.S. Patent No. 11,198,395. *Id.* The Commission’s notice of investigation named as respondents Anhui Aggeus Auto-Tech Co., Ltd. a/k/a Wuhu, Woden Auto Parts Co., Ltd. a/k/a Wuhu Wow-good, Auto-Tech Co. Ltd. a/k/a Anhui Wollin International Co., Ltd. of Wuhu, China; Rough Country LLC of Dyersburg, TN; Southern Truck LLC a/k/a Top Gun Customz of Swanton, OH; Meyer Distributing, Inc. of Jasper, IN; and Earl Owen Company, Inc. of Carrollton, TX. *Id.* at 74662. The complainant is Lund Motion

Products, Inc. of Brea, CA. *Id.* The Office of Unfair Import Investigations is participating in the investigation. *Id.*

On December 13, 2022, the ALJ issued the subject ID, which set June 6, 2024, as the target date for completion of this investigation. No petitions for review of the ID were filed.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID. The target date for completion of this investigation is June 6, 2024. The initial determination on whether there is a violation of section 337 is therefore due no later than February 6, 2024. 19 CFR 210.42(a)(1)(i).

The Commission vote for this determination took place on January 10, 2023.

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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