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

In the Matter of

CERTAIN PRODUCTS CONTAINING TIRZEPATIDE AND PRODUCTS PURPORTING TO CONTAIN TIRZEPATIDE **Investigation No. 337-TA-1377** 

## NOTICE OF A COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW AN INITIAL DETERMINATION GRANTING-IN-PART MOTION TO AMEND THE COMPLAINT AND NOTICE OF INVESTIGATION

**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. 12) of the presiding administrative law judge ("ALJ") granting-in-part a motion to amend the complaint and notice of investigation to name two additional respondents.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission instituted this investigation on November 27, 2023, based upon a complaint filed on behalf of Eli Lilly and Company ("Eli Lilly") of Indianapolis, Indiana. 88 FR 82914-15 (Nov. 27, 2023). The complaint, as supplemented, alleges violations of section 337 based upon the importation into the United States and the sale of certain products containing tirzepatide or purporting to contain tirzepatide by reason of false designation of source and false and misleading advertising, the threat or effect of which is to destroy or substantially injure an industry in the United States, and based upon the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain products containing tirzepatide or purporting to contain tirzepatide by reason of infringement of U.S. Trademark No. 6,809,369. *Id.* The complaint also alleges that a domestic industry exists pursuant to subsection (a)(2) of section 337. *Id.* 

The Commission's notice of investigation named as respondents Arctic Peptides LLC of Akeny, Iowa; Audrey Beauty Co. of Hong Kong, China; Biolabshop Limited of Lancaster, United Kingdom; Mew Mews Company Limited of Hong Kong, China; Strate Labs LLC of Spring, Texas; Steroide Kaufen of Bialystok, Poland; Super Human Store of Barcelona, Spain; Supopeptide of Cedar Grove, New Jersey; Triggered Supplements LLC of Clearwater, Florida; Unewlife of Cedar Grove, New Jersey; and Xiamen Austronext Trading Co., Ltd. of Fujian, China. *Id.* at 82915. The Office of Unfair Import Investigations ("OUII") is also named as a party in this investigation. *Id.* 

Respondents Unewlife, Supopeptide, and Steroide Kaufen were terminated pursuant to withdrawal of the complaint. *See* Order No. 8 (Mar. 7, 2024), *unreviewed by* Comm'n Notice (Mar. 21, 2024). Respondents Arctic Peptides LLC; Audrey Beauty Co., Ltd.; Biolabshop Limited; Mew Mews Co. Ltd.; Strate Labs LLC; Super Human Store; Triggered Supplements LLC (d/b/a The Triggered Brand); and Xiamen Austronext Trading Co., Ltd. (d/b/a AustroPeptide) have been found in default. *See* Order No. 13 (Apr. 22, 2024), *unreviewed by* Comm'n Notice (May 15, 2024).

On March 15, 2024, Eli Lilly filed a motion to amend the complaint and notice of investigation to name four additional respondents. On March 29, 2024, OUII filed a response to the motion identifying certain deficiencies in the proposed amendment. On April 2, 2024, Eli Lilly filed a motion for leave to submit a reply in support its motion, which was granted pursuant to Order No. 11 (Apr. 3, 2024). On April 9, 2024, OUII filed a sur-reply, which did not oppose the proposed amendment with respect to three respondents.

On April 22, 2024, the ALJ issued the subject ID granting-in-part the motion to amend and addressing other related issues. The ALJ found that Eli Lilly had complied with the requirements of Commission Rule 210.14(b) (19 CFR 210.14(b)) for amendment of the complaint and notice of investigation to add two respondents: Fibonacci Sequence LLC d/b/a GenX Peptides ("GenX Peptides") of Houston, Texas; and Paradigm Peptides of Michigan City, Indiana. *See* ID at 7-11. In the same order, the ALJ denied-in-part the motion to amend with respect to two other proposed respondents and addressed related procedural issues, but these are not part of the initial determination that is before the Commission to review. *See id.* at 11-13.

No petitions for review of the subject ID were filed.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID. The complaint and notice of investigation are hereby amended to add respondents GenX Peptides and Paradigm Peptides.

The Commission vote for this determination took place on May 21, 2024.

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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