

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

**In the Matter of**

**CERTAIN FIBER-OPTIC CONNECTORS,  
ADAPTERS, JUMP CABLES, PATCH CORDS,  
PRODUCTS CONTAINING THE SAME, AND  
COMPONENTS THEREOF**

**Investigation No. 337-TA-1399**

**NOTICE OF A COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW AN INITIAL  
DETERMINATION TERMINATING THE INVESTIGATION AS TO CERTAIN  
RESPONDENTS BASED ON WITHDRAWAL OF THE COMPLAINT**

**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. 33) of the presiding administrative law judge (“ALJ”) granting a joint motion to terminate the above-captioned investigation as to respondents Hubbell Inc., Hubbell Premise Wiring, Inc., EZconn Corp., Changzhou Co-Net Electronic Technology Co., Ltd., Shenzhen UnitekFiber Solution Ltd., Rayoptic Communication Co., Ltd., HuNan Surfiber Technology Co., Ltd., Eaton Corp., Tripp Lite Holdings, Inc., Infinite Electronics, Inc., and L-Com, LLC based on withdrawal of the complaint.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On April 26, 2024, the Commission instituted this investigation based on a complaint, as supplemented, filed on behalf of US Conec, Ltd., of Hickory, North Carolina (“US Conec”). 89 FR 32459-60 (Apr. 26, 2024). The complaint alleges violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, based upon the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain fiber-optic connectors, adapters, jump cables, patch cords, products containing the same, and components thereof that infringe certain claims of U.S.

Patent Nos. 11,733,466; 11,808,994; 11,906,794; 11,880,075; 11,385,415 and 10,495,823. *Id.* at 32459. The complaint also alleged that a domestic industry exists. *Id.* The Commission’s notice of investigation names as respondents Senko Advance Co., Ltd. of Yokkaichi City, Japan and Senko Advanced Components, Inc. of Hudson, Massachusetts (“the Senko Respondents”); Eaton Corp. of Dublin, Ireland; Tripp Lite Holdings, Inc. of Woodridge, Illinois; FS.com Inc. of New Castle, Delaware; Infinite Electronics, Inc. of Irvine, California; L-com, Inc. of North Andover, Massachusetts; Sumitomo Electric Industries, Ltd. of Osaka, Japan; Sumitomo Electric Lightwave Corp. of Raleigh, North Carolina; Sumitomo Electric U.S.A., Inc. of Torrance, California; EZconn Corp. of New Taipei City, Taiwan; Flexoptix GmbH of Darmstadt, Germany; Shenzhen UnitekFiber Solution Ltd. of Shenzhen, China; Hubbell Inc. of Shelton, Connecticut; Hubbell Premise Wiring, Inc. of Shelton, Connecticut; Shenzhen IH Optics Co., Ltd. of Shenzhen, China; Rayoptic Communication Co., Ltd., of Shenzhen, China; and HuNan Surfiber Technology Co., Ltd. of Changsha, China. *Id.* at 32460. The Office of Unfair Import Investigations (“OUII”) is participating in this investigation. *Id.*

Several Respondents have been terminated from this investigation based on consent orders: FS.com Inc. (Order No. 15 (June 25, 2024), *unreviewed by* Comm’n Notice (July 24, 2024)); Shenzhen IH Optics., Ltd. (Order No. 16 (June 26, 2024), *unreviewed by* Comm’n Notice (July 24, 2024)); Flexoptix GmbH (Order No. 17 (June 26, 2024), *unreviewed by* Comm’n Notice (July 24, 2024)). Respondents Sumitomo Electric Industries, Ltd., Sumitomo Electric Lightwave Corp., and Sumitomo Electric U.S.A., Inc. were terminated from the investigation based on a settlement agreement. Order No. 21 (July 15, 2024), *unreviewed by* Comm’n Notice (Aug. 9, 2024).

On August 19, 2024, the Commission determined not to review an ID (Order No. 27) granting US Conec’s motion for leave to amend the complaint and notice of investigation to (1) add Protai Photonic Co., Ltd., Jarllytec Co., Ltd., and Wave2Wave Solutions Corp. d/b/a FiberSmart as respondents; (2) correct the name of respondent L-com, Inc. to L-com, LLC; (3) adopt a previous supplement to the original complaint; and (4) correct a typographic error in paragraph 54 of the complaint. Comm’n Notice (Aug. 19, 2024); 89 FR 67970-71 (Aug. 22, 2024). US Conec did not subsequently file the amended complaint.

On August 26, 2024, the parties filed a joint motion to terminate the investigation. US Conec and the Senko Respondents moved to terminate the investigation as to the Senko Respondents on the basis of a settlement agreement. US Conec and Respondents Hubbell Inc., Hubbell Premise Wiring, Inc., EZconn Corp., Changzhou Co-Net Electronic Technology Co., Ltd., Shenzhen UnitekFiber Solution Ltd., Rayoptic Communication Co., Ltd., HuNan Surfiber Technology Co., Ltd., Eaton Corp., Tripp Lite Holdings, Inc., Infinite Electronics, Inc., and L-Com, LLC (collectively, “the non-Senko Respondents”) moved to terminate the investigation as to the non-Senko Respondents based on the withdrawal of the complaint. OUII filed a response supporting the motion, though OUII argued the public version of the settlement agreement between US Conec and the Senko Respondents was “over-redacted.” No other responses to the motion were filed.

On September 12, 2024, the ALJ issued the subject ID (Order No. 33), granting in part the joint motion to terminate. The ALJ denied, without prejudice, the motion as to the Senko Respondents. That portion of the ALJ's decision is not before the Commission. The subject ID grants the joint motion as to the non-Senko Respondents. The subject ID finds that the motion meets the requirements of Commission Rule 210.21(a) (19 CFR 210.21(a)), and that there are no extraordinary circumstances that would prevent the requested withdrawal of the complaint against the non-Senko Respondents. Order No. 33 at 4-5. No petitions for review of the ID were filed.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID. The investigation is terminated as to Respondents Hubbell Inc., Hubbell Premise Wiring, Inc., EZconn Corp., Changzhou Co-Net Electronic Technology Co., Ltd., Shenzhen UnitekFiber Solution Ltd., Rayoptic Communication Co., Ltd., HuNan Surfiber Technology Co., Ltd., Eaton Corp., Tripp Lite Holdings, Inc., Infinite Electronics, Inc., and L-Com, LLC.

The Commission vote for this determination took place on October 3, 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.



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Secretary to the Commission

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