

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

**CERTAIN POLYVINYLDENE
FLUORIDE RESINS**

Investigation No. 337-TA-1439

**NOTICE OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW AN INITIAL
DETERMINATION TERMINATING THE INVESTIGATION WITH
RESPECT TO A PATENT CLAIM**

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission.

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. 24) of the presiding Administrative Law Judge (“ALJ”) terminating the investigation with respect to a patent claim based on a partial withdrawal of the complaint.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Needham, Esq., Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 708-5468. Copies of non-confidential documents filed in connection with this investigation may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket (EDIS) at <https://edis.usitc.gov>. For help accessing EDIS, please email EDIS3Help@usitc.gov. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server at <https://www.usitc.gov>. Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission’s TDD terminal on (202) 205-1810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission instituted this investigation on February 21, 2025, based on a complaint filed by Syensqo SA of Brussels, Belgium; Solvay Specialty Polymers, USA LLC of Alpharetta, Georgia; and Solvay Specialty Polymers Italy S.P.A. of Bollate, Italy (collectively, “Complainants”). 90 FR 10082-83 (Feb. 21, 2025). 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 polyvinylidene fluoride resins by reason of infringement of claims 1-7, 10, and 12 of U.S. Patent No. 8,337,725 (“the ‘725 patent”). *Id.* The complaint further alleges that a domestic industry exists or is in the process of being established. *Id.* The Commission’s notice of investigation named as respondents Inner Mongolia 3F Wanhai Fluorochemical Industry Co. Ltd. of Fengzhen, China (“3F”); Zhejiang

Juhua Co., Ltd. of Quzhou City, China; Hubei Fluorine New Materials Co., Ltd. of Dongtan Village, China; and Sinochem Lantian Co., Ltd. of Hangzhou, China (collectively, “Respondents”). *Id.* The Office of Unfair Import Investigations is not participating in the investigation. *Id.*

On July 14, 2025, the Commission granted leave to amend the complaint and notice of investigation to include allegations asserting infringement of claims 8 and 9 of the ’725 patent. Order No. 9 (June 23, 2025), *unreviewed by Comm’n Notice* (July 14, 2025), 90 FR 33394-95 (July 17, 2025).

The Commission previously terminated the investigation with respect to 3F. Order No. 8 (Mar. 28, 2025), *unreviewed by Comm’n Notice* (Apr. 21, 2025). The Commission also granted leave to amend the complaint and notice of investigation to change the name of two complainants from Solvay Specialty Polymers, USA LLC to Syensqo Specialty Polymers, USA LLC, and Solvay Specialty Polymers Italy S.P.A. to Syensqo Specialty Polymers Italy S.P.A. to reflect corporate name changes. Order No. 19 (Nov. 19, 2025), *unreviewed by Comm’n Notice* (Dec. 9, 2025), 90 FR 57485 (Dec. 11, 2025).

On December 4, 2025, Complainants moved to terminate the investigation with respect to claim 7 of the ’725 patent based on a partial withdrawal of the complaint. No party opposed the motion.

That same day, the ALJ issued the subject ID (Order No. 24) granting the motion pursuant to 19 CFR 210.21(a). The ID notes that “there are no agreements, written or oral, express or implied, between Complainants and Respondents concerning the subject matter of this Investigation.” ID at 1. The ID also finds “no extraordinary circumstances exist that would prevent the requested partial termination of this Investigation.” *Id.* at 2. No party petitioned for review of the subject ID.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID. Claim 7 of the ’725 patent is hereby terminated from the investigation.

The Commission vote for this determination took place on January 2, 2026.

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.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "LRB".

Lisa R. Barton
Secretary to the Commission

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