UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

CERTAIN PRE-STRETCHED SYNTHETIC BRAIDING HAIR AND PACKAGING THEREFOR (II) Inv. No. 337-TA-1457

NOTICE OF INSTITUTION OF INVESTIGATION

Institution of investigation pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1337

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a complaint was filed with the U.S. International Trade Commission on July 3, 2025, under section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, on behalf of JBS Hair, Inc. of Atlanta, Georgia. The complaint alleges violations of section 337 based upon the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain pre-stretched synthetic braiding hair and packaging therefor by reason of the infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent No. 10,786,026 ("the '026 patent"); U.S. Patent No. 10,945,478 ("the '478 patent"); U.S. Patent No. 10,980,301 ("the '301 Patent"); U.S. Patent No. 12,127,616 ("the '616 Patent"). The complaint further alleges that an industry in the United States exists as required by the applicable Federal Statute.

The complainant requests that the Commission institute an investigation and, after the investigation, issue a general exclusion order, or in the alternative a limited exclusion order, and cease and desist orders.

ADDRESSES: The complaint, except for any confidential information contained therein, may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at https://edis.usitc.gov. For help accessing EDIS, please email EDIS3Help@usitc.gov. Hearing impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on (202) 205-1810. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at (202) 205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server at https://www.usitc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pathenia M. Proctor, The Office of Unfair Import Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, telephone (202) 205-2560.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

AUTHORITY: The authority for institution of this investigation is contained in section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, and in section 210.10 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 19 C.F.R. 210.10 (2025).

SCOPE OF INVESTIGATION: Having considered the complaint, the U.S. International Trade Commission, on August 5, 2025, ORDERED THAT –

- (1) Pursuant to subsection (b) of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, an investigation be instituted to determine whether there is a violation of subsection (a)(1)(B) of section 337 in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, or the sale within the United States after importation of certain products identified in paragraph (2) by reason of infringement of one or more of claims 1 and 9-11 of the '026 patent; claim 20 of the '478 patent; claims 1, 4-9 and 11 of the '301 patent; and claims 11-13 of the '616 patent, and whether an industry in the United States exists as required by subsection (a)(2) of section 337;
- (2) Pursuant to section 210.10(b)(1) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 19 C.F.R. 210.10(b)(1), the plain language description of the accused products or category of accused products, which defines the scope of the investigation, is "bundled synthetic braiding hair products";
- (3) For the purpose of the investigation so instituted, the following are hereby named as parties upon which this notice of investigation shall be served:
 - (a) The complainant is:

JBS Hair, Inc. 3587 Oakcliff Road Atlanta, GA 30340-3014

(b) The respondents are the following entities alleged to be in violation of section 337, and are the parties upon which the complaint is to be served:

Sun Taiyang Co., Ltd. (d/b/a Outre®) 85 Oxford Drive Moonachie, NJ 07074

Beauty Elements Corporation (d/b/a Bijouz®)
5517 NW 163rd Street
Miami Gardens, FL 33014

Hair Zone, Inc. (d/b/a Sensationnel®)

10 State Street Moonachie, NJ 07074

Beauty Essence, Inc. (d/b/a SupremeTM Hair US) 60 Oxford Drive Moonachie, NJ 07074

SLI Production Corp. (d/b/a It's a Wig!)
7 Capital Drive
Moonachie, NJ 07074

Royal Imex, Inc. (d/b/a Zury® Hollywood) 12605 Clark Street Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670

GS Imports, Inc. (d/b/a Golden State Imports, Inc.) 7112 Alondra Blvd Paramount, CA 90723

Eve Hair, Inc. 3935 Paramount Blvd. Lakewood, CA 90712

Midway International, Inc. (d/b/a BOBBI BOSS) 13131 E. 166th Street Cerritos, CA 90703

Mayde Beauty Inc. 85 Harbor Road Port Washington, NY 11050

Hair Plus Trading Co., Inc. (d/b/a Femi Collection) 1327 Northbrook Parkway Ste 410 Suwanee, GA 30024

Optimum Solution Group LLC (d/b/a Oh Yes Hair) 4070 Buford Hwy, Suite #4 Duluth, GA 30096 Chade Fashions, Inc. 6400 W Gross Point Road Niles, IL 60714

Mane Concept Inc. 24 Empire Blvd. Moonachie, New Jersey 07074

Beauty Plus Trading Co., Inc. (d/b/a Janet CollectionTM)
210 W. Commercial Avenue
Moonachie, NJ 07074

Model Model Hair Fashion, Inc. 85 Harbor Road Port Washington, NY 11050

New Jigu Trading Corp. (d/b/a Harlem 125®) 10 Harbor Road Port Washington, NY 11050

Shake N Go Fashion, Inc. 85 Harbor Road Port Washington, NY 11050

Amekor Industries, Inc. (d/b/a Vivica A. Fox® Hair Collection) 500 Brook Road Ste 100 Conshohocken, PA 19428

- (c) The Office of Unfair Import Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Suite 401, Washington, D.C. 20436; and
- (4) For the investigation so instituted, the Chief Administrative Law Judge, U.S. International Trade Commission, shall designate the presiding Administrative Law Judge.

Responses to the complaint and the notice of investigation must be submitted by the named respondents in accordance with section 210.13 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 19 C.F.R. 210.13. Pursuant to 19 C.F.R. 201.16(e) and 210.13(a), such responses will be considered by the Commission if received not later than 20 days after the date of service by the Commission of the complaint and the notice of investigation. Extensions of time for submitting responses to the complaint and the notice of investigation will not be granted unless good cause therefor is shown.

Failure of a respondent to file a timely response to each allegation in the complaint and in this notice may be deemed to constitute a waiver of the right to appear and contest the allegations of the complaint and this notice, and to authorize the administrative law judge and the Commission, without further notice to the respondent, to find the facts to be as alleged in the complaint and this notice and to enter an initial determination and a final determination containing such findings, and may result in the issuance of an exclusion order or a cease and desist order or both directed against the respondent.

By order of the Commission.

Lisa R. Barton

Secretary to the Commission

Issued: August 5, 2025