UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

CERTAIN PASSENGER VEHICLE AUTOMOTIVE WHEELS

Investigation No. 337-TA-1006

NOTICE OF A COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW INITIAL DETERMINATION TERMINATING THE INVESTIGATION AS TO RESPONDENT O.E. WHEEL DISTRIBUTORS, LLC BASED ON A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT, CONSENT ORDER STIPULATION, AND PROPOSED CONSENT ORDER; ISSUANCE OF CONSENT ORDER

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. 23) of the presiding administrative law judge ("ALJ"), terminating the above-captioned investigation as to respondent O.E. Wheel Distributors, LLC ("OEW") of Sarasota, Florida based on a settlement agreement, consent order stipulation, and proposed consent order. The Commission has issued the consent order.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Clint Gerdine, Esq., Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 708-2310. Copies of non-confidential documents filed in connection with this investigation are or will be available for inspection during official business hours (8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.) in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server at <u>https://www.usitc.gov</u>. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <u>https://edis.usitc.gov</u>. 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 June 17, 2016, based on a complaint filed on behalf of Daimler AG of Stuttgart, Germany. 81 FR 39711-12. The complaint alleges violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, by reason of infringement of numerous U.S. design patents and U.S. registered trademarks. The complaint further alleges that a domestic industry exists. The Commission's notice of investigation named several respondents including OEW. The Office of Unfair Import Investigations ("OUII") is also a party to the investigation. *Id*.

On January 3, 2017, the complainant and OEW jointly moved to terminate the investigation as to OEW based on a settlement agreement, consent order stipulation, and proposed consent order. In their joint motion, the parties state that there are no other agreements, written or oral, express or implied between the parties concerning the subject matter of the investigation. OUII filed a response supporting the motion and no party opposed.

The ALJ issued the subject ID on January 17, 2017, granting the joint motion for termination. He found that the joint motion satisfied Commission Rules 210.21(b), (c) (19 CFR 210.21(b), (c)). He further found, pursuant to Commission Rule 210.50(b)(2) (19 CFR 210.50(b)(2)), that termination of this investigation as to OEW by settlement agreement and consent order is not contrary to the public interest.

The Commission has determined not to review the ID and has issued the consent order.

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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