

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

In the Matter of

**CERTAIN SUBSEA TELECOMMUNICATION
SYSTEMS AND COMPONENTS THEREOF**

Investigation No. 337-TA-1098

**NOTICE OF A COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW
AN INITIAL DETERMINATION TERMINATING U.S. PATENT NO. 8,406,637 FROM
THE INVESTIGATION**

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. 22) terminating the investigation in part as to U.S. Patent No. 8,406,637 (“the ’637 patent”).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amanda Pitcher Fisherow, Esq., Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-2737. 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 <https://www.usitc.gov>. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket (EDIS) at <https://edis.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 January 26, 2018, based on a complaint, as supplemented, filed on behalf of Neptune Subsea Acquisitions Ltd. of the United Kingdom; Neptune Subsea IP Ltd. of the United Kingdom; and Xtera, Inc. of Allen, Texas (“complainants”). 83 FR 3370 (Jan. 26, 2018). The complaint, as supplemented, alleges violations of Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. § 1337 (“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 subsea telecommunication systems and components thereof by reason of infringement of one or more claims of U.S. Patent No. 8,380,068; U.S. Patent No. 7,860,403; U.S. Patent No. 8,971,171; U.S.

Patent No. 8,351,798; and U.S. Patent No. 8,406,637 (“the ’637 patent”). The complaint further alleges that an industry in the United States exists as required by section 337. The Notice of Investigation named Nokia Corporation of Espoo, Finland; Nokia Solutions and Networks B.V. of Hoofddorp, The Netherlands; Nokia Solutions and Networks Oy of Espoo, Finland; Alcatel-Lucent Submarine Networks SAS of Boulogne-Billancourt, France; Nokia Solutions and Networks US LLC of Phoenix, Arizona; NEC Corporation of Tokyo, Japan; NEC Networks & System Integration Corporation of Tokyo, Japan; and NEC Corporation of America of Irving, Texas as respondents. The Office of Unfair Import Investigations was named as a party in this investigation.

On August 6, 2018, complainants filed a motion to terminate the investigation in part based on the withdrawal of the ’637 patent. The motion stated that there are no agreements, written or oral, express or implied between the parties concerning the subject matter of the investigation. OUII and the Respondents did not oppose the motion.

On August 8, 2018, the ALJ issued an order granting the motion to terminate the ’637 patent. The ALJ found that no extraordinary circumstances prevent the partial termination of the investigation. No petitions for review were filed.

The Commission has determined not to review the ID.

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 C.F.R. Part 210).

By order of the Commission.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lisa R. Barton", written in a cursive style.

Lisa R. Barton
Secretary to the Commission

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