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

In the Matter of

**CERTAIN POWERED COVER PLATES** 

**Investigation No. 337-TA-1124** 

## NOTICE OF A COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW AN INITIAL DETERMINATION EXTENDING THE TARGET DATE FOR TERMINATION OF 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. 43) issued by the presiding administrative law judge ("ALJ") setting the target date for termination of the above-referenced investigation for April 30, 2020.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Liberman, Esq., Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-3115. 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, SW, Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server at <a href="https://www.usitc.gov">https://www.usitc.gov</a>. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <a href="https://edis.usitc.gov">https://edis.usitc.gov</a>. 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 the investigation on July 23, 2018, based on a complaint filed by SnapRays, LLC d/b/a SnapPower of Vineyard, UT ("SnapPower"). 83 FR 34871 (July 23, 2018). The complaint, as supplemented, alleges a violation 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 powered cover plates by reason of infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 9,871,324 ("the '324 patent"); 9,882,361 ("the '361 patent"); 9,917,430 ("the '430 patent"); and U.S. Design Patent No. D819,426 ("the Design Patent," or "the 'D426 patent") (collectively, "the Asserted Patents"). *Id.* at 34872. The notice of

investigation named thirteen respondents: (1) Ontel Products Corporation of Fairfield, New Jersey; (2) Dazone, LLC of Ontario, Canada; (3) Shenzhen C-Myway of Shenzhen, Guangdong, China; (4) E-Zshop4u LLC of Howey in the Hills, Florida; (5) Desteny Store of Fort Meyers, Florida; (6) Zhongshan Led-Up Light Co., Ltd. of Zhongshan, Guangdong, China; (7) AllTrade Tools LLC of Cypress, California; (8) Guangzhou Sailu Info Tech. Co., Ltd. of Guangzhou, Gunagdong, China; (9) Zhejiang New-Epoch Communication Industry Co., Ltd. of Yueging, Zhejiang, China; (10) KCC Industries of Eastvale, California; (11) Vistek Technology Co., Ltd. of Fuyong, Baoan, Shenzhen, China ("Vistek"); (12) Enstant Technology Co., Ltd. of Xixiang Baoan District, Shenzhen, China ("Enstant"); and (13) Manufacturers Components Incorporated of Pompano Beach, Florida. *Id.* The Commission's Office of Unfair Import Investigations ("OUII") was also named as a party.

The Commission previously terminated thee investigation as to or found in default all named respondents except Enstant and Vistek. Order No. 5 (Sept. 26, 2018), non-reviewed Notice (Oct. 29, 2018); Order No. 6 (Sept. 26, 2018), non-reviewed Notice (Oct. 29, 2018); Order No. 8 (Sept. 28, 2018), non-reviewed Notice (Oct. 23, 2018); Order No. 12 (Oct. 2, 2018), non-reviewed Notice (Nov. 27, 2018); Order No. 18 (Nov. 28, 2018), non-reviewed Notice (Dec. 21, 2018); Order, No. 36 (Apr. 11, 2019), non-reviewed Notice (May 8, 2019)

On August 12, 2019, the ALJ issued her "Initial Determination on Violation of Section 337 and Recommended Determination on Remedy and Bond," finding a violation of section 337. The final ID finds that a violation of section 337 occurred in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, or the sale within the United States after importation, of certain powered cover plates that infringe the asserted claims of the '361 patent by Enstant/Vistek. *See id.* at 125-26. The final ID notes that "Respondents Enstant and Vistek filed a motion for summary determination of non-infringement ('Redesign SD Motion') of [the '361 patent] by Redesign Models P001 (Smart Wall Plate Charger, Decor Outlet, with USB charger) and P002 (Smart Wall Plate Charger, Duplex Outlet with USB charger)." Final ID at 14. The final ID finds, however, that "Enstant's and Vistek's Redesign SD Motion was effectively rendered moot by rulings on Motions in Limine . . . ." *Id*.

On October 11, 2019, the Commission determined to review in part and to remand the investigation to the ALJ for a remand initial determination ("RID") to address the final ID's finding that Enstant/Vistek's redesign summary determination motion is moot. 84 FR 55985-86 (October 18, 2019). The Commission issued an "Order: Remand of a Final Initial Determination In Part" ("Commission Order") directing the ALJ to expeditiously issue an RID and to "extend the target date for termination of the investigation by ID pursuant to 19 CFR 210.51(a)(1) to three months after the issuance of the RID." Commission Order at 5 (October 11, 2019).

On December 12, 2019, the ALJ issued the subject ID setting the target date for termination of the investigation for April 30, 2020. According to the subject ID, the date for issuance of the RID is January 30, 2020. ID at 1. No party has petitioned for review of the subject ID.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject 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 CFR part 210.

By order of the Commission.

Lisa R. Barton

Secretary to the Commission

Issued: December 12, 2019