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

In the Matter of

## CERTAIN FOLDABLE REUSABLE DRINKING STRAWS AND COMPONENTS AND ACCESSORIES THEREOF

Investigation No. 337-TA-1183

## NOTICE OF A COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW AN INITIAL DETERMINATION TERMINATING THE INVESTIGATION WITH RESPECT TO TWO RESPONDENTS

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. 7) of the presiding administrative law judge ("ALJ"), granting complainant's motion to terminate the investigation as to respondents Ningbo Weixu International Trade Co., Ltd. ("Ningbo Weixu") and Hunan Jiudi Shiye Import and Export Trading Co., Ltd. ("Hunan Jiudi") based on withdrawal of the allegations of the complaint.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Cathy Chen, Esq., Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 205-2392. 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, DC 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 November 13, 2019, based on a complaint filed on behalf of The Final Co. LLC ("Final") of Santa Fe, New Mexico. 84 FR 61639 (Nov. 13, 2019). The complaint, as amended, 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 foldable reusable drinking straws and components and accessories thereof by reason of infringement of claims 1-12, 14-17, and 20 of U.S. Patent No. 10,123,641 ("the '641 patent"). *Id.* The complaint further alleges that a domestic industry exists. *Id.* 

The Commission's notice of investigation named numerous respondents including Ningbo Weixu of Zhejiang, China and Hunan Jiudi of Hunan, China. *Id.* at 61640.

On February 10, 2019, Final filed a motion to terminate the investigation as to respondents Ningbo Weixu and Hunan Jiudi based on withdrawal of the allegations of the complaint pursuant to Commission Rule 210.21(a), 19 CFR Part 210.21(a). See Order No. 7 at 1 (Feb. 13, 2019). On February 13, 2019, the ALJ issued the subject ID granting the motion. Id. at 2. The ID notes that Final has been unable to confirm delivery of the complaint and notice of investigation to either Ningbo Weixu or Hunan Jiudi. Id. at 1. The ID finds that the motion complies with the Commission Rules, and that no public interest factors prohibit the termination of this investigation as to these two non-served respondents. Id. at 2. No petitions for review were filed.

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

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