UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

CERTAIN BALANCED ARMATURE DEVICES, PRODUCTS CONTAINING SAME, AND COMPONENTS THEREOF

Investigation No. 337-TA-1186

NOTICE OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION TO REVIEW AN INITIAL DETERMINATION GRANTING-IN-PART AND DENYING-IN-PART COMPLAINANTS' MOTION FOR SANCTIONS AND FINDING CERTAIN RESPONDENTS IN DEFAULT

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission ("Commission") has determined to review an initial determination (Order No. 46) granting-in-part and denying-in-part Complainants' motion for sanctions and finding certain respondents in default.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amanda Fisherow, 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 may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at https://edis.usitc.gov. For help accessing EDIS, please email EDIS3Help@usitc.gov. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server at https://www.usitc.gov. Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal, telephone 202-205-1810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 29, 2019, the Commission instituted this investigation based on a complaint filed by Knowles Corporation and Knowles Electronics, LLC of Itasca, Illinois, and Knowles Electronics (Suzhou) Co., Ltd. of Suzhou, China (collectively, "Complainants"). 84 FR 65840 (Nov. 29, 2019). The complaint, as supplemented, alleges violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, due to the importation or sale in the United States of certain balanced armature devices, products containing same, and components thereof by reason of misappropriation of trade secrets, the threat or effect of which is to destroy or substantially injure a domestic industry. *Id.* The notice of investigation names twelve (12) respondents, including Shenzhen Bellsing Acoustic Technology Co. Ltd. of Shenzhen, China, Suzhou Bellsing Acoustic Technology Co. Ltd. of Suzhou, China, Dongguan Bellsing Precision Device Co., Ltd. of Dongguan, China, and Bellsing Corporation of Lisle, Illinois (collectively, "Bellsing") and Liang Li (a/k/a Ryan Li) of Suzhou

City, China ("Mr. Li"). *Id.* The Office of Unfair Import Investigations is also a party in this investigation. *Id.*

On September 24, 2020, Complainants filed a motion for sanctions under Commission Rule 210.33(b)(6) against Bellsing and Mr. Li for discovery misconduct.

On January 14, 2021, the presiding administrative law judge issued Order No. 46 granting-in-part Complainants' motions for sanctions as to Bellsing and denying-in-part Complainants' motions for sanctions as to Mr. Li. Order No. 46 also denies Complainants' request for monetary sanctions. No party petitioned for review of the ID.

The Commission has determined to review Order No. 46 in the entirety.

The Commission vote for this determination took place on February 16, 2021.

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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