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

In the Matter of

## CERTAIN OUTDOOR AND SEMI-OUTDOOR ELECTRONIC DISPLAYS, PRODUCTS CONTAINING SAME, AND COMPONENTS THEREOF

Investigation No. 337-TA-1331

## NOTICE OF A COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW TWO INITIAL DETERMINATIONS TERMINATING THE INVESTIGATION AS TO RESPONDENTS SAMSUNG SDS AND COATES BASED ON GOOD CAUSE

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 the presiding administrative law judge's ("ALJ") initial determinations ("IDs") (Order Nos. 10 and 11) terminating this investigation as to the following respondents, respectively, based on good cause: (1) Samsung SDS Co. Ltd. of Seoul, Republic of Korea and Samsung SDS America Inc. of Ridgefield Park, New Jersey (collectively, "Samsung SDS"); and (2) Coates Signco Pty Limited of Sydney, Australia ("Coates Signco") and Coates US Inc. of Chicago, Illinois ("Coates US") (collectively, "Coates").

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul Lall, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-2043. Copies of non-confidential documents filed in connection with this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <u>https://edis.usitc.gov</u>. For help accessing EDIS, please email <u>EDIS3Help@usitc.gov</u>. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server at <u>https://www.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 September 23, 2022, based on a complaint filed on behalf of Manufacturing Resources International, Inc. ("Complainant") of Alpharetta, Georgia. 87 FR 58132-33 (Sept. 23, 2022). The complaint alleges violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, based upon the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain outdoor and semi-outdoor electronic displays, products containing same, and components thereof by reason of infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 8,854,595; 9,173,322; 9,629,287; 10,506,740; and 11,013,142. The complaint further alleges that a domestic industry exists. The Commission's notice of investigation named seven (7) respondents, including: Coates Visual LLC ("Coates Visual") of Chicago, Illinois; Coates Signco; Samsung SDS; Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd. of Gyeonggi-do, Republic of Korea; Samsung Electronics America, Inc. of Ridgefield Park, New Jersey; and Industrial Enclosure Corporation d/b/a Palmer Digital Group of Aurora, Illinois. The Office of Unfair Import Investigations is not participating in the investigation.

On November 10, 2022, the Commission terminated this investigation as to respondent Coates Visual and permitted Complainant to amend its complaint to add Coates US as a respondent. Order No. 6 (Oct. 24, 2022), *unreviewed by* Comm'n Notice (Nov. 10, 2022).

On April 27, 2023, respondents Coates and Samsung SDS filed motions to terminate the investigation based on respective joint stipulations with the Complainant. *See* Order No. 10 at 2, Order No. 11 at 2.

On May 4, 2023, the presiding ALJ issued the subject IDs (Order Nos. 10 and 11) pursuant to Commission Rule 210.21(a)(1) (19 C.F.R. 210.21(a)(1)), granting respondents' motions to terminate. The subject IDs both find that "[t]here is good cause to terminate" Samsung SDS and Coates from the investigation because each respondent group stipulated "that they have not, since at least January 2017, purchased, imported, sold for importation, or sold after importation any product falling within the scope of this investigation." Order No. 10 at 2; Order No. 11 at 2. In addition, each respondent group represented that "there are no agreements, written or oral, express or implied between the parties concerning the subject matter of the investigation." Id.

No petitions for review of the subject IDs were filed.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject IDs. Samsung SDS and Coates are hereby terminated from the investigation.

The Commission vote for this determination took place on June 5, 2023.

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.

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Lisa R. Barton Secretary to the Commission

Issued: June 5, 2023