UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

COMPONENTS FOR CERTAIN ENVIRONMENTALLY-PROTECTED LCD DIGITAL DISPLAYS AND PRODUCTS CONTAINING SAME **Investigation No. 337-TA-1349**

NOTICE OF A COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW AN INITIAL DETERMINATION GRANTING AN UNOPPOSED MOTION TO TERMINATE THE INVESTIGATION AS TO CERTAIN ASSERTED PATENT CLAIMS

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 determination ("ID") (Order No. 22) granting an unopposed motion to terminate the investigation as to all of the asserted claims of U.S. Patent No. 7,948,575 ("the '575 patent"); all of the asserted claims of U.S. Patent No. 8,111,348 ("the '348 patent"); claim 5 of U.S. Patent No. RE45,117 ("the '117 patent"); claims 1, 10, 11, and 16-19 of U.S. Patent No. 8,842,253 ("the '253 patent"); and claims 1-3 and 7-12 of U.S. Patent No. 8,223,311 ("the '311 patent") based upon withdrawal of allegations in the complaint as to those claims.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Panyin A. Hughes, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-3042. 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 January 10, 2023, the Commission instituted this investigation based on a complaint filed by Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd. of the Republic of Korea; Samsung Electronics America, Inc. of Ridgefield Park, New Jersey; Samsung Research America, Inc. of Mountain View, California; and Samsung International, Inc. of Chula Vista, California. 88 FR 1404-05 (Jan. 10, 2023). The complaint alleged violations of section 337 based on the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, or the sale within the United States after importation of components for certain environmentally-protected LCD digital displays and products containing same by reason of infringement of one or more of claims 1-4

and 11-13 of the '575 patent; claims 1-3 and 6-9 of the '348 patent; claims 1, 2, and 5 of the '117 patent; claims 1, 10-12, and 16-19 of the '253 patent; and claims 1-4 and 6-13 of the '311 patent. *Id.* The Commission's notice of investigation named Manufacturing Resources International of Alpharetta, Georgia as the sole respondent. The Office of Unfair Import Investigations was not named as a party in this investigation. *Id.*

On August 24, 2023, Complainants moved to terminate the investigation as to all of the asserted claims of the '575 patent; all of the asserted claims of the '348 patent; claim 5 of the '117 patent; claims 1, 10, 11, and 16-19 of the '253 patent; and claims 1-3 and 7-12 of the '311 patent based upon withdrawal of allegations in the complaint as to those claims. Complainants stated that Respondent does not oppose the motion.

On September 11, 2023, the ALJ issued the subject ID (Order No. 22) granting the unopposed motion. The ID noted that Commission Rule 210.21(a)(1) provides that "[a]ny party may move at any time prior to the issuance of an initial determination on violation of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 to terminate an investigation in whole or in part as to any or all respondents, on the basis of withdrawal of the complaint or certain allegations contained therein . . ." and that "[a] motion for termination of an investigation based on withdrawal of the complaint . . . shall contain a statement that there are no agreements, written or oral, express or implied between the parties concerning the subject matter of the investigation." ID at 2 (citing 19 CFR 210.21(a)(1)). The ID granted the motion, finding that it complies with the Commission Rules and that no extraordinary circumstances exist that would prevent terminating those claims from the Investigation. *Id.* at 3. The ID further found that termination of those claims "is in the public interest because public and private resources will be conserved." *Id.* at 3. No one petitioned for review of the ID.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID. The investigation is hereby terminated as to all of the asserted claims of the '575 patent; all of the asserted claims of the '348 patent; claim 5 of the '117 patent; claims 1, 10, 11, and 16-19 of the '253 patent; and claims 1-3 and 7-12 of the '311 patent.

The Commission vote for this determination took place on October 10, 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.

Lisa R. Barton

Secretary to the Commission

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