UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

CERTAIN NETWORK EQUIPMENT SUPPORTING NETCONF

Investigation No. 337-TA-1391

NOTICE OF A COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW AN INITIAL DETERMINATION FINDING THE 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 not to review an initial determination ("ID") (Order No. 8) of the presiding administrative law judge ("ALJ"), finding the respondents in default.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amanda Pitcher Fisherow, Esq., 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 on (202) 205-1810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission instituted this investigation on March 4, 2024, based on a complaint filed by Optimum Communications Services, Inc. of Jersey City, New Jersey. 89 FR 15611-12 (Mar. 4, 2024). The complaint, as supplemented, 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 network equipment supporting NETCONF by reason of infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 10,567,474 and 10,848,546. *Id.* The complaint further alleges that a domestic industry exists. *Id.* The Commission's notice of investigation named as respondents: Changsha Silun Network Technology Co., Ltd. of Hunan, China; Hunan Maiqiang Network Technology Company Limited of Hunan, China; Hunan Zikun Information Technology Co., Ltd. of Hunan, China; and Guangzhou Qiton Electronics Technology Co., Ltd. of Guangdong, China (collectively, "Respondents"). *Id.* The Office of Unfair Import Investigations ("OUII") is participating in the investigation. *Id.*

On April 4, 2024, Complainant moved for an order to show cause why the Respondents should not be found in default for failing to respond to the complaint and notice of investigation. OUII filed a response in support of the motion. On April 16, 2024, the ALJ issued a show cause order. None of the Respondents responded to the order to show cause or responded to the complaint and notice of investigation. *See* Order No. 8 at 1. The complaint and notice of investigation were served on Respondents by FedEx International Connect Plus by Complainant on February 28, 2024. The show cause order was served via mail on April 16, 2024.

On May 14, 2024, the ALJ issued Order No. 8 finding all of the Respondents in default for failing to respond to the order to show cause, complaint, and notice of investigation. No petitions for review of the ID were filed. Complainants are requesting the issuance of a general exclusion order.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID. All of the Respondents are in default.

The Commission vote for this determination took place on June 13, 2024.

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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