UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

CERTAIN DISPOSABLE VAPORIZER DEVICES

Investigation No. 337-TA-1410

NOTICE OF A COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW AN INITIAL DETERMINATION TERMINATING THE INVESTIGATION AS TO RESPONDENT KIMSUN BASED ON A CONSENT ORDER STIPULATION; ISSUANCE OF A CONSENT ORDER

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. 10) of the presiding administrative law judge ("ALJ") granting a motion for partial termination of the investigation as to Respondent Kimsun Technology (HuiZhou) Co., Ltd. ("Kimsun") based on a consent order stipulation. The Commission has entered a consent order against Kimsun.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cathy Chen, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone 202-205-2392. 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 July 22, 2024, based on a complaint filed on behalf of RAI Strategic Holdings, Inc.; R.J. Reynolds Vapor Company; R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company; and RAI Services Company (collectively, "Complainants"), all of Winston-Salem, North Carolina. 89 FR 59158 (Jul. 22, 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, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain disposable vaporizer devices and components thereof by reason of the infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent No. 11,925,202. *Id.* at 59159. The complaint further alleges that an industry in the United States exists as required by the applicable Federal Statute. The Commission's notice of investigation

names thirty-five (35) respondents including Kimsun of Shenzhen, China. *Id.* at 59159-160. The Office of Unfair Import Investigations ("OUII") is also named as a party. *Id.* at 59160.

On August 16, 2024, Respondent Kimsun moved to terminate the investigation as to Kimsun based on a consent order stipulation. The motion stated that Complainants do not oppose. On August 22, 2024, OUII filed a response in support of the motion. No other responses were filed.

On August 28, 2024, the ALJ issued the subject ID (Order No. 10) granting the motion to terminate the investigation with respect to Respondent Kimsun based on the entry of a consent order. The ID found that the consent order stipulation and proposed consent order conform with Commission Rule 210.21(c)(3) and (4) (19 CFR 210.21(c)(3) and (4)). The ID also found that termination of the investigation with respect to respondent Kimsun would not be contrary to the public interest. No petitions for review were filed.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID and to issue a consent order against Respondent Kimsun.

The Commission vote for this determination took place on September 23, 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.

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Lisa R. Barton Secretary to the Commission

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