

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

**CERTAIN COMPOSITE INTERMEDIATE
BULK CONTAINERS**

Investigation No. 337-TA-1434

**NOTICE OF COMMISSION DECISION NOT TO REVIEW
AN INITIAL DETERMINATION FINDING ONE RESPONDENT IN DEFAULT**

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. 13) of the presiding Chief Administrative Law Judge (“Chief ALJ”) finding respondent Hebei Shijiheng Plastics, Co., Ltd., of Zhongjie Huanghua City, China (“Hebei Shijiheng”) in default for failure to respond to the complaint and notice of investigation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sidney A. Rosenzweig, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 708-2532. 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 27, 2025, the Commission instituted this investigation based on a complaint filed by Schütz Container Systems, Inc. of North Branch, New Jersey and Protechna S.A. of Fribourg, Switzerland (collectively, “Complainants”). 90 FR 8222-23 (Jan. 27, 2025). The complaint, as supplemented, alleged violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337 (“section 337”), by reason of the infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 9,718,581; 8,708,150; 8,919,562; 8,567,626; 9,004,310; and 8,276,299. *Id.* The Commission’s notice of investigation named the following respondents: Shandong Jinshan Jieyuan Container Co., Ltd. of Zhengjiang City, China; Zibo Jieli Plastic Pipe Manufacture Co. Ltd. of Zibo City, China; Shanghai Sakura Plastic Products Co., Ltd. (d/b/a Shanghai Yinghua Plastic Products Co., LTD) of Shanghai, China; and Hebei Shijiheng. *Id.* The Office of Unfair Import Investigations was also named as a party in the investigation. *Id.*

The Commission previously terminated the investigation as to certain patent claims from the investigation based on withdrawal of the complaint. *See* Order No. 9 (Apr. 2, 2025), *unreviewed by* Notice (Apr. 22, 2025). In addition, the complaint and notice of investigation have been amended to change the address of Hebei Shijiheng to the address at which Heibi Shijiheng had been served with the complaint and notice of investigation. Order No. 10 (May 9, 2025), *unreviewed by* Notice (May 28, 2025).

On June 2, 2025, the Chief ALJ issued an order instructing Hebei Shijiheng to show cause why it should not be found in default. Order No. 11 at 2 (June 2, 2025). The Chief ALJ found that Hebei Shijiheng had been served with the complaint and notice of investigation and that Hebei Shijiheng had not responded.

On June 17, 2025, the Chief ALJ issued the subject ID (Order No. 13) pursuant Commission Rule 210.16(a)(1), 19 CFR 210.16(a)(1), finding Heibi Shijiheng in default. The ID explains that Hebei Shijiheng did not respond to the complaint and notice of investigation or the order to show cause. The record shows that Order No. 11 was properly served on Heibi Shijiheng. EDIS Doc. ID 845429 (proof of service on Feb. 26, 2025).

No petitions for review of the subject ID were filed.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID.

The Commission's vote for this determination took place on July 7, 2025.

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.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lisa R. Barton', enclosed within a large, loopy oval shape.

Lisa R. Barton
Secretary to the Commission

Issued: July 7, 2025