

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

**CERTAIN ANODE MATERIALS FOR USE
IN BATTERY CELLS AND BATTERIES**

Investigation No. 337-TA-1513

**NOTICE OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW AN INITIAL
DETERMINATION SETTING AN 18-MONTH TARGET DATE**

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. 4) of the presiding administrative law judge (“ALJ”) setting an 18-month target date of January 24, 2028, for completion of the above-captioned investigation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard P. Hadorn, Esq., Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-3179. 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: The Commission instituted this investigation on July 24, 2026, based on a complaint filed by Sila Nanotechnologies, Inc. of Alameda, California, and Georgia Tech Research Corporation of Atlanta, Georgia. 91 FR 46800-01 (July 24, 2026). The complaint alleges violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, based on the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain anode materials for use in battery cells and batteries by reason of the infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 11,374,215; 11,515,528; 11,715,825; and 11,942,624. *Id.* at 46801. The complaint further alleges that a domestic industry exists. *Id.* The notice of investigation names three respondents: (1) Carbon ONE New Energy Group Co., Ltd. of Jiangshan City, Quzhou City, Zhejiang, China; (2) Carbon One New Energy (Hangzhou) Co., Ltd. of Hangzhou City, Zhejiang, China; and (3) Zhejiang Lichen New Material Technology Co., Ltd. of Huzhou, Zhejiang, China. *Id.* The Office of Unfair Import Investigations is not named as a party. *Id.*

On August 5, 2026, the ALJ issued the subject ID (Order No. 4) setting an 18-month target date of January 24, 2028, for completion of the investigation. The subject ID states that the final ID is due no later than September 24, 2027. No petitions for review of the subject ID were filed.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID. The target date for completion of the investigation is January 24, 2028.¹

The Commission vote for this determination took place on September 3, 2026.

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 thin black rectangular border.

Lisa R. Barton
Secretary to the Commission

Issued: September 3, 2026

¹ The Commission recognizes that this target date is necessitated by the current heavy case load. Such extended deadlines are regrettable and reflect the underlying need for additional Commission resources, including resources dedicated to section 337 investigations, both during ALJ proceedings and Commission review. The Commission is currently exploring how to address this need.