

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

**CERTAIN LASER ABRADED DENIM
GARMENTS**

Investigation No. 337-TA-930

**NOTICE OF COMMISSION DECISION NOT TO REVIEW FIVE INITIAL
DETERMINATIONS TERMINATING EIGHT RESPONDENTS
ON THE BASIS OF SETTLEMENT AND LICENSE AGREEMENTS**

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 determinations ("IDs") (Order Nos. 73-77) terminating the investigation as to respondents Diesel S.p.A. and Denim Service S.p.A. (collectively, "Diesel"), Buffalo International ULC and 1724982 Alberta ULC (collectively, "Buffalo"), Ropa Siete Leguas, Inc. and Ropa Siete Leguas S.A. de C.V. (collectively, "RSL"), Lucky Brand Dungarees LLC ("Lucky"), and The Buckle, Inc. ("Buckle") on the basis of settlement and license agreements.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cathy Chen, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-2392. Copies of non-confidential documents filed in connection with this investigation are or will be available for inspection during official business hours (8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.) in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server at <http://www.usitc.gov>. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <http://edis.usitc.gov>. Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission TDD terminal on (202) 205-1810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission instituted this investigation on September 23, 2014, based on a complaint filed by RevoLaze, LLC and TechnoLines, LLC, both of Westlake, Ohio. 79 Fed. Reg. 56828 (Sept. 23, 2014). The complaint alleged violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. § 1337, by reason of the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after

importation of certain laser abraded denim garments. The complaint alleged the infringement of seventy-one claims of six United States patents. The notice of institution named twenty respondents. On January 23, 2015, the ALJ granted the complainants' motion to amend the complaint and notice of investigation to add nine respondents. Order No. 23 at 3-4 (Jan. 23, 2015), not reviewed, Notice at 2 (Feb. 20, 2015). Several respondents have already been terminated from the investigation based on settlement agreements and a consent order.

On June 22, 2015, the complainants and respondent Diesel jointly filed a motion to terminate Diesel on the basis of a settlement and license agreement. On June 26, 2015, the complainants and respondent Buffalo jointly filed a motion to terminate Buffalo on the basis of a settlement and license agreement. On July 2, 2015, the complainants and respondent RSL jointly filed a motion to terminate RSL on the basis of a settlement and license agreement. On July 6, 2015, the complainants and respondent Lucky jointly filed a motion to terminate Lucky on the basis of a settlement and license agreement. On July 7, 2015, the complainants and respondent Buckle jointly filed a motion to terminate Buckle on the basis of a settlement and license agreement. The movants for each motion filed confidential and public versions of the settlement and license agreements. The movants also affirmed that there are no other agreements, written or oral, express or implied, between them concerning the subject matter of the investigation.

On July 20, 2015, the ALJ granted each of the five motions as an ID. The ALJ found that termination as to the moving respondents is in the public interest.

No petitions for review of the IDs were filed. The Commission has determined not to review the IDs.

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 C.F.R. Part 210).

By order of the Commission.



Lisa R. Barton
Secretary to the Commission

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