THE UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

In the Matter of: ) Investigation No.:

) 731-TA-1103

ACTIVATED CARBON FROM ) (SECOND REVIEW)

CHINA

Friday, June 15, 2018
Main Hearing Room (Room 101)
U.S. International
Trade Commission
500 E Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C.

The meeting, commenced, pursuant to notice, at
11:00 a.m., before the Commissioners of the United States
International Trade Commission, the Honorable Rhonda K.
Schmidtlein, presiding.

APPEARANCES:

On behalf of the International Trade Commission:

Commissioners:

RHONDA K. SCHMIDTLEIN, CHAIRMAN (presiding)
DAVID S. JOHANSON, VICE CHAIRMAN
IRVING A. WILLIAMSON, COMMISSIONER
MEREDITH M. BROADBENT, COMMISSIONER
JASON E. KEARNS, COMMISSIONER
APPEARANCES (Continued)

Staff:

AMANDA LAWRENCE, INVESTIGATOR
ELIZABETH NESBITT, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ANALYST
KAREN DRISCOLL, ATTORNEY/ADVISOR
MARY MESSER, SUPERVISORY INVESTIGATOR

SHARON BELLAMY, RECORDS MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST
TYRELL BURCH, PROGRAM SUPPORT SPECIALIST
PROCEEDINGS

(11:06 a.m.)

CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Good morning. This meeting of the U.S. International Trade Commission will now come to order.

Welcome to Commissioner Williamson who is participating by telephone.

COMMISSIONER WILLIAMSON (Via Phone): Good morning.

CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Good morning.

I understand that there are no agendas for future meetings, minutes, or Outstanding Action oh, I'm sorry, there are minutes future meetings, our Outstanding Action Jackets to consider.

Is there any objection to approval of the minutes of May 1st, 3rd, 10th, 11th, 14th, 17th, 24th, and 31st, 2018? Or Ratification List 18-006?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Hearing none, they are approved.

Before we turn to the vote, seeing that this is my last meeting that I will be chairing, I would like to take a moment to express my deep appreciation to my fellow Commissioners and to the staff, both my personal staff and to the staff throughout the agency, for your support and

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assistance during my Chairmanship.

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as the Chairman of the ITC. In my view, the objective high-quality work that this agency produces has never been more important. Plus, it's just a really nice place to work, with a really nice group of people. So thank you all very much.

Of course I still have a few years left on my term, so I will be around and I look forward to working with everyone during the remainder of my term.

Now we will turn to the vote.

COMMISSIONER WILLIAMSON (Via Phone): Madam Chairman?

CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Yes?

COMMISSIONER WILLIAMSON (Via Phone): On behalf of my fellow Commissioners, I would like to congratulate you on completing your term as Chairman. I know how much hard work that entailed, and we very much appreciate your leadership and the effort you and your staff have put in to being Chairman. So congratulations and relax.

CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Thank you.

(Laughter.)

CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Do I get to go to Disneyland now?

(Laughter.)
VICE CHAIRMAN JOHANSON: I would also like to thank you for your time as Chairman. I know it's a very difficult job, and I look forward to working with you in the future.

CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Thank you.

Alright, next we will turn to the vote in the Second Review of Investigation Number 731-TA-1103 Concerning Imports of Activated Carbon from China. Welcome to Ms. Messer and the staff who participated in this review. Are there any questions for the staff?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Are there any additions or corrections to the staff report?

MS. MESSER: Mary Messer, Office of Investigations. There are no additions or corrections to the staff report.

CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Is there any objection to approval of the staff report?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Hearing none, it is approved.

Mr. Secretary, will you please call the roll?

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Kearns?

COMMISSIONER KEARNS: I vote in the affirmative.
MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Williamson?

COMMISSIONER WILLIAMSON (Via Phone): I vote in the affirmative.

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Schmidtlein?

COMMISSIONER SCHMIDTLEIN: I vote in the affirmative.

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Broadbent?

COMMISSIONER BROADBENT: I vote in the affirmative.

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Johanson?

COMMISSIONER JOHANSON: I vote in the affirmative.

MR. BISHOP: Madam Chairman, the Commission has reached an affirmative determination.

CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Thank you, Mr. Secretary. Further information concerning this determination will be in the press release.

Views of the Commission are currently scheduled to be completed and filed by June 27th, 2018. Thank you again to all the staff who participated in this review. And seeing that there is no other business before the Commission, this meeting is adjourned.

(Whereupon, at 11:09 a.m., Friday, June 15, 2018, the meeting of the Commissioners of the United States International Trade Commission was adjourned.)
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