

**UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C.**

In the Matter of

**CERTAIN COMPOSITE AEROGEL
INSULATION MATERIALS AND
METHODS FOR MANUFACTURING
THE SAME**

Investigation No. 337-TA-1003

**NOTICE OF THE COMMISSION DETERMINATION TO
EXTEND THE TARGET DATE**

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission has determined to extend the target date in the above-captioned investigation to Monday, February 5, 2018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cathy Chen, Esq., Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 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 SW, Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server at <https://www.usitc.gov>. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <https://edis.usitc.gov>. 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 June 8, 2016, based on a complaint filed by Aspen Aerogels, Inc. ("Aspen") of Northborough, Massachusetts. 81 *Fed. Reg.* 36955-956 (Jun. 8, 2016). The complaint 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 composite aerogel insulation materials and methods for manufacturing the same by reason of infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent No. 7,399,439 ("the '439 patent"); U.S. Patent No. 9,181,486 ("the '486 patent"); U.S. Patent No. 7,078,359 ("the '359 patent"); U.S. Patent No. 6,989,123 ("the '123 patent"); and U.S. Patent No. 7,780,890 ("the '890 patent"). The complaint further alleges that an industry in the United States exists as required by 19 U.S.C.

1337(a)(2). The notice of investigation named Nano Tech Co., Ltd. (“Nano”) of Zhejiang, China, and Guangdong Alison Hi-Tech Co., Ltd. (“Alison”) of Guangzhou, China, as respondents. The Office of Unfair Import Investigations (“OUII”) is also a party in this investigation.

On September 29, 2017, the presiding administrative law judge (“ALJ”) issued a final initial determination (“ID”), finding a violation of section 337 by Respondents Alison and Nano. The parties filed timely petitions for review of the final ID. The parties also filed timely responses and public interest submissions pursuant to Commission Rule 210.50(a)(4).

On November 30, 2017, the Commission determined to review the ID in part and requested briefing on issues it determined to review, and on remedy, the public interest, and bonding. 82 FR 57611-13 (Dec. 6, 2017). On December 15, 2017, Aspen and OUII each filed initial written submissions regarding issues on review, remedy, the public interest, and bonding. On the same day, Respondents jointly filed their initial written submission regarding issues on review, remedy, the public interest, and bonding. Responses to the initial written submissions were filed on December 22, 2017.

The Commission has determined to extend the target date in this investigation to Monday, February 5, 2018.

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.



Lisa R. Barton
Secretary to the Commission

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