NOTICE OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION
NOT TO REVIEW AN INITIAL DETERMINATION
EXTENDING THE TARGET DATE FOR COMPLETION OF THE INVESTIGATION


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 determination (“ID”) (Order No. 46) extending the target date for completion of the investigation by one and a half months until May 16, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jonathan J. Engler, Esq., Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone 202-205-3112. Copies of the public version of the ID and all nonconfidential 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. Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-205-1810. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server (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.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This investigation was instituted by the Commission based on a complaint filed by ERBE. 71 Fed. Reg. 29386 (May 16, 2006). The complaint alleged violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, 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 endoscopic probes for use in argon plasma coagulation systems by reason of infringement of 10 claims of U.S. Patent No. 5,720,745 (“the ‘745 patent”) and infringement of U.S. Supplemental Trademark Registration No. 2,637,630 (“the ‘630 registration”). The complaint also alleged that a domestic industry exists and/or is in the process of being established, with regard to the ‘745 patent and the ‘630 registration under subsection (a)(2). The notice of investigation named Canady Technology, LLC of Hampton, Virginia (“Canady USA”); Canady Technology Germany GmbH of Germany (“Canady GmbH”); and KLS Martin
as the respondents. The complaint requested that the Commission institute an investigation pursuant to Section 337 and, after the investigation, issue a permanent exclusion order and a permanent cease and desist order. The investigation has been terminated as to KLS Martin on the basis of a settlement agreement.

On November 9, 2007, the ALJ issued the subject ID (Order No. 46) extending the target date by one and a half months to May 16, 2008. The ALJ determined that the extension of the target date was necessary in light of his recent absence due to a medical condition. No petitions for review were filed.

The Commission has determined not to review the ID.


By order of the Commission.

Marilyn R. Abbott
Secretary to the Commission

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