

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

**CERTAIN WATER FILTERS AND
COMPONENTS THEREOF**

Investigation No. 337-TA-1126

**NOTICE OF COMMISSION DECISION NOT TO REVIEW AN INITIAL
DETERMINATION FINDING CERTAIN RESPONDENTS IN DEFAULT**

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. 9) of the presiding administrative law judge (“ALJ”) finding certain respondents in default.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Houda Morad, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 708-4716. 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, D.C. 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 August 1, 2018, based on a complaint filed by Complainants Electrolux Home Products, Inc. of Charlotte, North Carolina and KX Technologies, LLC of West Haven, Connecticut (collectively, “Complainants”). *See* 83 Fed. Reg. 37514-15 (Aug. 1, 2018). The complaint, as amended and supplemented, alleges violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. § 1337, based upon the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain water filters and components thereof by reason of infringement of U.S. Patent No. 8,673,146; U.S. Patent No. 8,137,551; U.S. Patent No. 9,233,322; and U.S. Patent No. 9,901,852. *See id.* The notice of investigation named as respondents: Shenzen Calux Purification Technology Co., Limited of Shenzen, China (“Calux”); Ningbo Pureza Limited of Ningbo, China; JiangSu Angkua Environmental Technical Co., Ltd. of RuGao, China (“Angkua”); Ecopure Filter Co., Ltd. of Qindao, China; Shenzhen Dakon Purification Tech Co., Ltd. of Shenzen, China (“Dakon”); HongKong Ecoaqua Co., Limited of

Hong Kong, China; Ecolife Technologies, Inc. of City of Industry, California; and Crystala Filters LLC of Patterson, New Jersey. *See id.* The Office of Unfair Import Investigations (“OUII”) is also a party to the investigation. *See id.* The Commission served the Complaint and Notice of Investigation on respondents on July 27, 2018.

On August 30, 2018, Complainants filed a motion (“*Motion*”) pursuant to 19 CFR 210.16 for: (1) an order directing Calux, Angkua, and Dakon (collectively, “the Non-Participating Respondents”) to show cause why they should not be found in default for failure to respond to the complaint and notice of investigation; and (2) an ID finding the Non-Participating Respondents in default upon their failure to show cause. On September 10, 2018, OUII filed a response in support of the *Motion*. The Non-Participating Respondents did not respond to the *Motion*.

On September 12, 2018, the ALJ issued Order No. 8 requiring the Non-Participating Respondents to show cause, no later than September 27, 2018, as to why they should not be found in default. No response was received from any of the Non-Participating Respondents.

The ALJ issued the subject ID (Order No. 9) on October 3, 2018, finding the Non-Participating Respondents in default pursuant to 19 CFR 210.16 for “fail[ure] to respond to the complaint and the notice of investigation, and . . . to Order No. 8 to show cause.” *See ID* at 1-2. No petition for review of the subject ID was filed.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID.

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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