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


ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission (the “Commission”) has determined not to review an initial determination (“ID”) (Order No. 74) issued by the presiding administrative law judge (“ALJ”) extending the target date for completion of this investigation to August 26, 2022.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carl P. Bretscher, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 205-2382. Copies of non-confidential documents filed in connection with this investigation may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket system (“EDIS”) at https://edis.usitc.gov. For help accessing EDIS, please email EDIS3Help@usitc.gov. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server at https://www.usitc.gov. Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission’s TDD terminal, telephone (202) 205-1810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission instituted this investigation on October 19, 2020, based on a complaint, as supplemented, filed by DivX, LLC (“DivX”) of San Diego, California. 85 FR 66355 (Oct. 19, 2020). The complaint alleges a violation of section 337 of the Tariff Act, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, from the importation, sale for importation, or sale in the United States after importation of certain video processing devices, components thereof, and digital smart televisions containing the same by reason of infringement of one or more asserted claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 8,832,297; 10,212,486; 10,412,141; and 10,484,749. Id. The complaint further alleges the existence of a domestic industry. Id.

The Commission’s notice of investigation names the following respondents: Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd. of Gyeonggi-do, Korea; Samsung Electronics America, Inc. of Ridgefield Park, New Jersey; Samsung Electronics HCMC CE Complex Co., Ltd. of Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam (collectively, “Samsung”); LG Electronics Inc. of Seoul, Korea; LG Electronics U.S.A.,
Inc. of Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey (collectively “LG”); MediaTek, Inc. of Hsinchu City, Taiwan; MediaTek USA Inc. of San Jose, California; MStar Semiconductor, Inc. of Hsinchu Hsien, Taiwan (collectively, “MediaTek”); Realtek Semiconductor Corp. of Hsinchu, Taiwan (“Realtek”); TCL Corporation of Huizhou, Guangdong, China; TCL Technology Corporation of Huizhou, Guangdong, China; TCL Electronics Holdings Ltd. of Shenzhen, Guangdong, China; TTE Technology, Inc. of Corona, California; Shenzhen TCL New Technologies Co. of Shenzhen, Guangdong, China; TCL King Electrical Appliances (Huizhou) Co. Ltd. of Huizhou, Guangdong, China; TCL MOKA International Ltd. of Sha Tin, New Territories, Hong Kong; and TCL Smart Device (Vietnam) Co., Ltd. of Bac Tan Uyen District, Binh Duong Province, Vietnam (collectively, “TCL”). Id. at 66356. The Office of Unfair Import Investigations was not named as a party to this investigation. Id.

The Commission has partially terminated the investigation with respect to certain patents and patent claims. Order No. 25 (Jan. 15, 2021), unreviewed by Comm’n Notice (Feb. 1, 2021); Order No. 34 (Feb. 19, 2021), unreviewed by Comm’n Notice (March 15, 2021); Order No. 49 (April 21, 2021), unreviewed by Comm’n Notice (May 10, 2021); Order No. 65 (June 28, 2021), unreviewed by Comm’n Notice (July 28, 2021).

The Commission has also partially terminated the investigation with respect to certain respondents due to settlement agreements. See Order No. 37 (terminating MediaTek), unreviewed by Comm’n Notice (March 12, 2021); Order No. 67 (July 16, 2021) (terminating RealTek), unreviewed by Comm’n Notice (Aug. 4, 2021); Order No. 69 (Aug. 12, 2021) (terminating LG, Samsung), unreviewed by Comm’n Notice (Sept. 15, 2021).

On April 5, 2022, the presiding ALJ issued the subject ID (Order No. 74) extending the target date for completion of this investigation to August 26, 2022, and the deadline for issuance of the final ID to April 19, 2022. Order No. 74 (Apr. 5, 2022). The ID states that the extension is necessary to accommodate a pending settlement between the parties. The ALJ also issued an order suspending the procedural schedule until at least April 15, 2022, or until the parties have filed a joint motion to terminate the investigation. Order No. 72 (Mar. 24, 2022).

No party filed a petition for review of the subject ID.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID. The target date for completion of this investigation is hereby extended to August 26, 2022.

The Commission voted to approve this determination on May 3, 2022.

By order of the Commission.

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Secretary to the Commission

Issued: May 3, 2022