

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

In the Matter of

**CERTAIN ELECTRICAL
CONNECTORS AND CAGES,
COMPONENTS THEREOF, AND
PRODUCTS CONTAINING THE
SAME**

Investigation No. 337-TA-1241

**NOTICE OF A COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW AN
INITIAL DETERMINATION EXTENDING 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 not to review an initial determination (“ID”) (Order No. 50) of the presiding administrative law judge (“ALJ”) extending the target date for completion of the investigation.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On January 26, 2021, the Commission instituted this investigation under section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, based on a complaint filed by Amphenol Corp. of Wallingford, Connecticut (“Amphenol,” or “Complainant”). 86 FR 7104-05 (Jan. 26, 2021). The complaint alleges a violation of section 337 in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, or the sale within the United States after importation of electrical connectors and cages, components thereof, and products containing the same by reason of infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 7,371,117 (“the ’117 patent”); 8,371,875 (“the ’875 patent”); 8,864,521 (“the ’521 patent”); 9,705,255 (“the ’255 patent”); and 10,381,767 (“the ’767 patent”). The complaint also alleges the existence of a domestic industry. The notice of investigation names as respondents: Luxshare Precision Industry Co., Ltd. and Dongguan Luxshare Precision Industry Co. Ltd., both

of Qingxi Town, Dongguan City, Guangdong Province, China; Luxshare Precision Limited (HK) of Fotan, New Territories, Hong Kong; and Luxshare-ICT Inc. of Milpitas, California (collectively, “Luxshare,” or “Respondents”). *Id.* at 7104. The Commission’s Office of Unfair Import Investigations is not named as a party in this investigation. *Id.*

Subsequently, the ALJ granted Complainant’s motion for partial termination of the investigation by withdrawal of the ’875 and the ’521 patents, and claims 2, 14, 17-19, and 25-27 of the ’117 patent; claims 1-3, 5-8, and 18 of the ’255 patent; and claims 2-3, 7, 14, 20-22, 30, and 32 of the ’767 patent. *See* Order No. 29 (Oct. 13, 2021), *unreviewed by* Comm’n Notice (Nov. 3, 2021). The ALJ also granted-in-part and denied-in-part Complainant’s motion for summary determination that it satisfied the importation requirement. Order No.34 (Oct. 28, 2021), *unreviewed by* Comm’n Notice (Nov. 29, 2021). The ALJ likewise granted-in-part Respondents’ motion for summary determination of no importation. Order No. 35 (Oct. 28, 2021), under the Commission review by Notice (Nov. 29, 2021).

On January 24, 2022, the ALJ issued an ID (Order No. 50) extending the target date for completion of the investigation. The ID found good cause to extend the target date of this investigation to July 5, 2022. Order No. 50 at 1. The ID noted that Complainant is asserting twenty-six (26) claims from three unrelated patents, and the parties are seeking adjudication of at least twenty-two (22) accused and domestic industry products. *Id.* The ID further noted that a full evidentiary hearing was conducted on November 3-5 and 8-9, 2021, and that the transcript of the hearing is over 1,200 pages. *Id.* The ID also noted that, in addition to the testimony elicited at the hearing, witness statements totaling more than 1,000 pages of testimony were submitted. *Id.*

The ID found that the complexity of this investigation, along with the requirements of the ALJ’s other investigations, necessitate an extension of the target date. *Id.* at 2. The ID noted that because the completion of the final initial determination in this investigation is impracticable by the current deadline of January 26, 2022, it found good cause to extend the target date of this investigation to July 5, 2022, which is approximately seventeen months and one week after institution of the investigation. *Id.* The ID noted that the final initial determination on violation shall be due no later than March 4, 2022. *Id.* No party petitioned for review of the ID.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID. Accordingly, the target date of this investigation is July 5, 2022, and the final initial determination on violation is due no later than March 4, 2022.

The Commission vote for this determination took place on February 16, 2022.

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.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lisa R. Barton', enclosed within a large, loopy oval flourish.

Lisa R. Barton
Secretary to the Commission

Issued: February 16, 2022