Notice of a Commission Determination Not to Review An Initial Determination Extending the Target Date


Action: Notice.

Summary: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission (“Commission”) has determined not to review an initial determination (“ID”) (Order No. 13) of the presiding chief administrative law judge (“CALJ”), extending the target date for the completion of this investigation to December 27, 2022, and setting the due date for the final ID as August 26, 2022.

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Supplementary Information: The Commission instituted this investigation on July 20, 2021, based on a complaint filed on behalf of Advanced Silicon Group Technologies, LLC of Lowell, Massachusetts. 86 FR 38356 (July 20, 2021). The complaint alleged a violation 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 silicon photovoltaic cells and modules with nanostructures, and products containing the same by reason of infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 10,269,995; 8,450,599; 8,852,981; 9,601,640; 9,768,331; and 10,692,971. Id. at 38357. The complaint further alleged that an industry in the United States exists as required by section 337. Id. The complaint named numerous respondents, and the Office of Unfair Import Investigations was named as a party in this investigation. Id.
On June 23, 2022, this investigation was reassigned to the CALJ.

On August 1, 2022, the CALJ issued the subject ID, which extended the target date for completion of this investigation by three weeks to December 27, 2022. Based on that target date, the final ID would now be due on August 26, 2022.

No party filed a petition for review of the ID.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID.

Accordingly, the target date is December 27, 2022, and the final ID is due on August 26, 2022.

The Commission vote for this determination took place on August 31, 2022.


By order of the Commission.

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Acting Secretary to the Commission

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