NOTICE OF A COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW AN INITIAL DETERMINATION TERMINATING THE INVESTIGATION AS TO THREE RESPONDENTS ON THE BASIS OF CONSENT ORDER STIPULATIONS AND CONSENT ORDERS; ISSUANCE OF CONSENT ORDERS


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. 18) of the presiding administrative law judge (“ALJ”) in the above-captioned investigation terminating the investigation as to three respondents on the basis of consent order stipulations and consent orders.

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importation of certain devices having elastomeric gel and components thereof by reason of infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 5,782,818 and 5,807,360. The complaint originally named 26 respondents, including TEG, LLC of Atlanta, Georgia ("TEG"), and was later amended, as was the notice of investigation, to add two respondents, Easybuy Inc. d/b/a Blush Novelties of Flushing, New York ("Easybuy") and Spencer Gifts, LLC of Egg Harbor Township, New Jersey ("Spencer"), and to correct TEG’s address and the identification of another respondent. 75 Fed. Reg. 64742 (Oct. 20, 2010). To date, one respondent has been defaulted and 20 others have been terminated from the investigation – 19 based on consent order stipulations and consent orders and one based on a settlement agreement.

On November 15 and 16, 2010, ILF filed motions to terminate the investigation as to Spencer, TEG, and Easybuy, respectively, based on consent order stipulations and consent orders. The Commission investigative attorney filed a combined response in support of each motion on November 16, 2010; no objections were filed.

The ALJ issued the subject ID on December 1, 2010, in which he finds that each consent order stipulation complies with Commission rule 210.21 and that each consent order closely parallels the corresponding stipulation. He also finds that termination as to these parties will not be contrary to the public health and welfare, competitive conditions in the United States economy, the production of like or directly competitive articles in the United States, or United States consumers, and further that the public interest favors the proposed resolution. He therefore granted each motion. No petitions for review of the ID were filed.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID.


By order of the Commission.

/s/
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Secretary to the Commission

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