In the Matter of
CERTAIN MOBILE ELECTRONIC DEVICES INCORPORATING HAPTICS

NOTICE OF COMMISSION DECISION NOT TO REVIEW THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE’S INITIAL DETERMINATION AMENDING THE COMPLAINT AND NOTICE OF INVESTIGATION; TERMINATION OF THE INVESTIGATION AS TO 45 ASSERTED PATENT CLAIMS


ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission has determined not to review the presiding administrative law judge’s (“ALJ”) initial determination (“ID”) (Order No. 21) amending the complaint and notice of investigation in the above-captioned investigation. The amended complaint withdraws 45 asserted patent claims from the investigation.

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named four respondents: Motorola Mobility, Inc. of Libertyville, Illinois; Motorola Mobility Holdings, Inc. of Libertyville, IL (collectively, “Motorola”); HTC Corporation of Taoyuan, Taiwan; and HTC America, Inc. of Bellevue, Washington.

On October 3, 2012, Immersion moved for leave to amend its complaint (for the second time after institution, and the third time overall) and the notice of investigation (i) to change the name of respondent Motorola Mobility, Inc. to Motorola Mobility LLC; (ii) to remove respondent Motorola Mobility Holdings, Inc.; and (iii) to clarify which claims were being asserted in the investigation. The Motorola-related amendments are based on Motorola’s corporate reorganization. The clarification of asserted claims “align[s] the Third Amended Complaint with the current state of the investigation.” Mot. 2 (Oct. 3, 2012). This “alignment” constitutes a withdrawal of 45 of the 108 previously asserted patent claims (while adding none). In particular, the following claims have been withdrawn: claims 3, 5, and 6 of the ’846 patent; claims 3, 6, 10, 11, 15, and 16 of the ’999 patent; claims 19-26 of the ’288 patent; claims 7, 18, 25, 27, 28, 31, and 32 of the ’720 patent; claims 6, 7, 9, 13, 17, 19, 22, 25, 28, 31, and 34 of the ’181 patent; and claims 1-5, and 9-13 of the ’105 patent. Those claims are thereby terminated from the investigation. The patent claims that remain are recited in Table 1 of the Third Amended Complaint.

No responses to the motion were filed, and on November 15, 2012, the ALJ issued an initial determination (Order No. 21) granting the motion.

No petitions for review of the ID were filed. The Commission has determined not to review the ID.


By order of the Commission.

/s/
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Acting Secretary to the Commission

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