NOTICE OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW AN INITIAL DETERMINATION SETTING THE TARGET DATE AT SEVENTEEN MONTHS


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. 4) setting the target date at seventeen months to March 11, 2019 in the above-captioned investigation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amanda S. Fisherow, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone 202-205-2737. Copies of non-confidential documents filed in connection with this investigation are or will be available for inspection during official business hours (8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.) in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone 202-205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server (https://www.usitc.gov). The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket (EDIS) at https://edis.usitc.gov. Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission’s TDD terminal on 202-205-1810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission instituted this investigation on October 11, 2017, based on a complaint filed by Intellectual Ventures II LLC of Bellevue, Washington. 82 FR 47250-51 (Oct. 11, 2017). The complaint alleges violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. § 1337 (“section 337”), in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain thermoplastic-encapsulated electric motors, components thereof, and products and vehicles containing same by reason of infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 7,154,200; 7,067,944; 7,067,952; 7,683,509; and 7,928,348. Id. The notice of investigation named the following as respondents: Aisin Seiki Co. of Aichi, Japan; Aisin Holdings of America, Inc. of Seymour, Indiana; Aisin Technical Center of America, Inc. and Aisin World
Corporation of America, both of Northville, Michigan; Bayerische Motoren Werke AG of Munich, Germany; BMW of North America of Woodcliff Lake, New Jersey; BMW Manufacturing Co., LLC of Greer, South Carolina; Denso Corporation of Aichi, Japan; Denso International America, Inc. of Southfield, Michigan; Honda Motor Co., Ltd. of Tokyo, Japan; Honda North America, Inc., American Honda Motor Co., Inc., and Honda R&D Americas, Inc., all of Torrance, California; Honda of America Mfg., Inc. of Marysville, Ohio; Honda Manufacturing of Alabama, LLC of Lincoln, Alabama; Mitsuba Corporation of Gunma, Japan; American Mitsuba Corporation of Mount Pleasant, Michigan; Nidec Corporation of Kyoto, Japan; Nidec Automotive Motor Americas, LLC of Auburn Hills, Michigan; Toyota Motor Corporation of Toyota City of Aichi, Japan; Toyota Motor North America, Inc. of New York, New York; Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. of Torrance, California; Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing North America, Inc. of Erlanger, Kentucky; Toyota Motor Manufacturing, Indiana, Inc. of Princeton, Indiana; Toyota Motor Manufacturing, Kentucky, Inc. of Georgetown, Kentucky. Id. The Office of Unfair Import Investigations also was named as a party to the investigation. Id.

On November 13, 2017, the ALJ issued the subject ID pursuant to Commission Rule 210.42(c) (19 CFR 210.42(c), setting the target date for completion of the investigation at seventeen months – March 11, 2019. The ID further notes that the final ID on violation will be due on November 12, 2018.


By order of the Commission.

Lisa R. Barton
Secretary to the Commission

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