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

In the Matter of

CERTAIN HIGH-DENSITY FIBER OPTIC EQUIPMENT AND COMPONENTS THEREOF

**Investigation No. 337-TA-1194** 

## NOTICE OF A COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW AN INITIAL DETERMINATION FINDING THREE RESPONDENTS IN DEFAULT

**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. 13) of the presiding administrative law judge ("ALJ"), finding respondents Shenzhen Anfkom Telecom Co., Ltd. d/b/a Anfkom Telecom ("Anfkom"); Shanghai TARLUZ Telecom Tech. Co., Ltd. d/b/a TARLUZ ("TARLUZ"); and Wulei Technology Co., Ltd. d/b/a Bonelinks ("Wulei Bonelinks") in default.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cathy Chen, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone 202-205-2392. Copies of non-confidential documents filed in connection with this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <a href="https://edis.usitc.gov">https://edis.usitc.gov</a>. For help accessing EDIS, please email <a href="mailto:EDIS3Help@usitc.gov">EDIS3Help@usitc.gov</a>. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server at <a href="https://www.usitc.gov">https://www.usitc.gov</a>. 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 March 24, 2020, based on a complaint filed on behalf of Corning Optical Communications LLC ("Corning") of Charlotte, North Carolina. 85 FR 16653 (Mar. 24, 2020). The complaint, as supplemented, alleges violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, or the sale within the United States after importation of certain high-density fiber optic equipment and components thereof by reason of infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 9,020,320 ("the '320 patent"); 8,712,206 ("the '206 patent"); 10,120,153 ("the '153 patent"); 10,094,996 ("the '996 patent"); and 10,444,456 ("the '456 patent"). *Id.* The complaint further alleges that a domestic industry exists. *Id.* The Commission's notice of investigation named thirteen respondents, including the three respondents named above, Legrand North America, LLC ("Legrand") of

West Hartford, Connecticut; AFL Telecommunications Holdings LLC ("AFL Holdings") of Duncan, South Carolina; Huber+Suhner AG of Herisau, Switzerland; Huber + Suhner, Inc. of Charlotte, North Carolina; Anfkom of Shenzhen, China; TARLUZ of Shanghai, China; and Wulei Bonelinks of Shenzhen, China. *Id.* at 16653-54. The notice of investigation also names the Office of Unfair Import Investigations as a party. *Id.* at 16654.

Respondent Legrand has been terminated from the investigation based on withdrawal of allegations in the complaint pursuant to Commission Rule 210.21(a), 19 CFR 210.21(a). *See* Order No. 5 (Apr. 16, 2020); *unreviewed by* Comm'n Notice (May 7, 2020). Respondents Huber+Suhner AG and Huber + Suhner, Inc. have been found in default. *See* Order Nos. 7 & 8 (June 9, 2020), *unreviewed by* Comm'n Notice (June 22, 2020). The complaint and notice of investigation have been amended to add respondent AFL Telecommunications LLC and to terminate respondent AFL Holdings. 85 FR 44923 (July 24, 2020).

On July 28, 2020, the ALJ issued Order No. 10, which required respondents Anfkom, TARLUZ, and Wulei Bonelinks to show cause why they should not be found in default pursuant to Commission Rule 210.16, 19 CFR 210.16. *See* Order No. 13 at 1 (Aug. 21, 2020). Order No. 10 recites that Wulei Bonelinks and Anfkom were served with the complaint and notice of investigation on March 23, 2020 and April 28, 2020 respectively. A process server attempted service of the complaint and notice of investigation on TARLUZ at its official address in Shanghai, China, but TARLUZ refused service. Order No. 10 at 3. The three respondents were given until August 14, 2020, to respond to Order No. 10, but they did not do so. Order No. 13 at 1. On August 21, 2020, the ALJ issued the subject ID finding them in default. *Id.* at 2. The ID notes that the three respondents also did not file a response to the complaint and notice of investigation. *Id.* No petitions for review were filed.

The Commission has determined not to review the ID. Respondents Anfkom, TARLUZ, and Wulei Bonelinks have been found in default.

While temporary remote operating procedures are in place in response to COVID-19, the Office of the Secretary is not able to serve parties that have not retained counsel or otherwise provided a point of contact for electronic service. Accordingly, pursuant to Commission Rules 201.16(a) and 210.7(a)(1) (19 CFR 201.16(a), 210.7(a)(1)), the Commission orders that the Complainant complete service for any party without a method of electronic service noted on the attached Certificate of Service and shall file proof of service on the Electronic Document Information System (EDIS).

The Commission vote for this determination took place on September 15, 2020.

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.

Lisa R. Barton

Secretary to the Commission

Issued: September 15, 2020