

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

**CERTAIN ELECTRONIC CANDLE
PRODUCTS AND COMPONENTS
THEREOF**

Inv. No. 337-TA-1195

**NOTICE OF A COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW AN INITIAL
DETERMINATION TERMINATING THE INVESTIGATION AS TO RESPONDENT
NANTONG YA TAI CANDLE ARTS & CRAFTS CO., LTD. BASED ON A CONSENT
ORDER; ISSUANCE OF A CONSENT ORDER**

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. 37) issued by the presiding administrative law judge (“ALJ”) terminating the investigation as to respondent Nantong Ya Tai Candle Arts & Crafts Co., Ltd. (“Nantong”) based on a consent order and issuing a consent order.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Benjamin S. Richards, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 708-5453. Copies of non-confidential documents filed in connection with this investigation may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket (EDIS) at <https://edis.usitc.gov>. For help accessing EDIS, please email EDIS3Help@usitc.gov. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server at <https://www.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 April 6, 2020, based on a complaint, as supplemented, filed by L&L Candle Company LLC of Brea, California, and Sotera Tschetter, Inc. of St. Paul, Minnesota (“Complainants”). 85 FR 19158 (Apr. 6, 2020). The amended complaint 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, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain electronic candle products and components thereof by reason of infringement of certain claims of United States Patent Nos. 8,550,660, 9,366,402, 9,512,971, 9,523,471, and 10,533,718. *Id.* The complaint further alleges that an industry in the United States exists. *Id.* The Commission’s notice of investigation named twenty-two respondents, including Nantong. *Id.* at 19159. The Office of Unfair Import Investigations (“OUII”) is participating in this investigation. *Id.*

On December 10, 2020, Complainants moved to terminate the investigation as to Nantong based on the entry of a consent order. Complainants' motion included a consent order stipulation executed by Nantong and a proposed consent order. On December 16, 2020, OUII filed a response in support of the motion. On December 17, 2020, the presiding ALJ issued the subject ID granting the motion. The ID found that the consent order stipulation and proposed consent order complied with Commission Rules 210.21(c)(3) and (4) (19 CFR 210.21(c)(3) and (4)). The ID also found no public interest concerns that would weigh against termination of Nantong pursuant to the proposed consent order. No petitions for review of the ID were received.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID and has determined to issue a consent order. Nantong is hereby terminated from the investigation based on the consent order.

The Commission vote for this determination took place on January 5, 2021.

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.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lisa R. Barton', is positioned above the typed name.

Lisa R. Barton
Secretary to the Commission

Issued: January 5, 2021