

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

**CERTAIN ELECTRICAL
CONNECTORS AND CAGES,
COMPONENTS THEREOF, AND
PRODUCTS CONTAINING THE
SAME**

Investigation No. 337-TA-1241

**NOTICE OF A COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW AN
INITIAL DETERMINATION GRANTING COMPLAINANT'S UNOPPOSED
MOTION FOR PARTIAL TERMINATION OF THE INVESTIGATION BY
WITHDRAWAL OF CERTAIN ASSERTED PATENTS AND PATENT CLAIMS**

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. 29) of the presiding administrative law judge ("ALJ") granting complainant's motion for partial termination of the investigation by withdrawal of U.S. Patent Nos. 8,371,875 ("the '875 patent") and 8,864,521 ("the '521 patent"), and certain claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 7,371,117 ("the '117 patent"), 9,705,255 ("the '255 patent"), and 10,381,767 ("the '767 patent").

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On January 26, 2021, the Commission instituted this investigation under section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337 ("section 337"), based on a complaint filed by Amphenol Corp. of Wallingford, Connecticut ("Complainant"). 86 FR 7104-05 (Jan. 26, 2021). The complaint alleges a violation of section 337 in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, or the sale within the United States after importation of electrical connectors and cages, components thereof, and

products containing the same by reason of infringement of certain claims of the '117, '875, '521, '255, and '767 patents. The complaint also alleges the existence of a domestic industry. The notice of investigation names as respondents: Luxshare Precision Industry Co., Ltd. and Dongguan Luxshare Precision Industry Co. Ltd., both of Qingxi Town, Dongguan City, Guangdong Province, China; Luxshare Precision Limited (HK) of Fotan, New Territories, Hong Kong; and Luxshare-ICT Inc. of Milpitas, California. *Id.* at 7104. The Commission's Office of Unfair Import Investigations is not named as a party in this investigation. *Id.*

On October 8, 2021, Complainant filed a motion for partial termination of the investigation by withdrawal of the '875 and the '521 patents, and certain claims of the '117, '255, and the '767 patents. There is no opposition to the motion from respondents Luxshare Precision Industry Co., Ltd., Dongguan Luxshare Precision Industry Co. Ltd., Luxshare Precision Limited (HK), and Luxshare-ICT Inc.

On October 13, 2021, the ALJ issued the subject ID (Order No. 29) granting the motion. The ID notes that Complainant seeks to withdraw its allegations of infringement with respect to all asserted claims of the '875 patent and the '521 patent; claims 2, 25, 26, and 27 of the '117 patent; claims 1-3, 5-8, and 18 of the '255 patent; and claims 2, 3, 7, 14, 20-22, 24-27, and 30 of the '767 patent. *Id.* at 2 (citing Motion at 2-3). The ID notes that Complainant further seeks to withdraw its domestic industry allegations with respect to all relied upon claims of the '875 patent and the '521 patent; claims 2, 14, 17-19, and 25-27 of the '117 patent; claims 1-3, 5-8, and 18 of the '255 patent; and claims 2-3, 7, 14, 20-22, 30, and 32 of the '767 patent. *Id.* (citations omitted). The ID finds that the motion complies with the requirements of Commission Rule 210.21(a)(1) (19 CFR 210.21(a)(1)) and there are no extraordinary circumstances preventing withdrawal of the identified patents and claims. *Id.* at 2.

The ID notes that claims 1, 9, 11, 24, and 29 of the '117 patent; claims 12, 13, 14, 16, and 17 of the '255 patent; and claims 1, 4-6, 9-13, 15-17, 19, 23, 28, and 29 of the '767 patent remain asserted in this investigation. *Id.* at 2 n. 2 (citing Motion at 3).

No party petitioned for review of the ID.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID. The following asserted claims are terminated from the investigation: all asserted claims of the '875 patent and the '521 patent; claims 2, 25, 26, and 27 of the '117 patent; claims 1-3, 5-8, and 18 of the '255 patent; and claims 2, 3, 7, 14, 20-22, 24-27, and 30 of the '767 patent.

The Commission vote for this determination took place on November 3, 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 'L.R. Barton', enclosed within a circular flourish.

Lisa R. Barton
Secretary to the Commission

Issued: November 3, 2021