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

In the Matter of

CERTAIN PRE-STRETCHED SYNTHETIC BRAIDING HAIR AND PACKAGING THEREFOR **Investigation No. 337-TA-1415** 

## NOTICE OF A COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW AN INITIAL DETERMINATION TERMINATING THE INVESTIGATION AS TO ONE RESPONDENT BASED ON 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. 28) issued by the presiding administrative law judge ("ALJ") granting a joint motion to terminate respondent JMS Trading Corp. ("JMS") from this investigation based on a consent order stipulation and consent order.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Lall, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-2043. 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="https://edis.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, telephone (202) 205-1810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On September 9, 2024, the Commission instituted this investigation based on a complaint filed by JBS Hair, Inc. ("JBS Hair") of Atlanta, GA. 89 FR 73123-24 (Sept. 9, 2024). The complaint alleges violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 USC 1337, based upon the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain pre-stretched synthetic braiding hair and packaging therefor by reason of the infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 10,786,026 ("the '026 patent"); 10,945,478 ("the '478 patent"); and 10,980,301 ("the '301 patent"). The Commission's notice of investigation ("NOI") named the following respondents: JMS of Buena Park, CA; Sun Taiyang Co., Ltd. d/b/a Outre® of Moonachie, NJ; Beauty Elements Corporation d/b/a Bijouz® of Miami Gardens, FL; Hair Zone, Inc. d/b/a Sensationnel® of Moonachie, NJ; Beauty Essence, Inc. d/b/a Supreme<sup>TM</sup> Hair US of Moonachie, NJ; SLI Production Corp. d/b/a It's a Wig! of Moonachie, NJ; Royal Imex, Inc.

d/b/a Zury® Hollywood of Santa Fe Springs, CA; GS Imports, Inc. d/b/a Golden State Imports, Inc.' of Paramount, CA; Eve Hair, Inc. of Lakewood, CA; Kum Kang Trading USA, Inc. d/b/a BNGHAIR of Paramount, CA ("Kum Kang"); Midway International, Inc. d/b/a BOBBI BOSS of Cerritos, CA; Mayde Beauty Inc. of Port Washington, NY; Hair Plus Trading Co., Inc. d/b/a Femi Collection of Suwanee, GA; Optimum Solution Group LLC d/b/a Oh Yes Hair of Duluth, GA; Chois International, Inc. of Norcross, GA; Twin Peak International, Inc. d/b/a Dejavu Hair of Atlanta, GA; Crown Pacific Group Inc. of Doraville, GA; Loc N Products, LLC of Atlanta, Georgia ("Loc N"); Vivace, Inc. d/b/a Dae Do Inc. of Levittown, NY; A-Hair Import Inc. of Norcross, GA; Chade Fashions, Inc. of Niles, IL; Mink Hair, Ltd. d/b/a Sensual® Collection of Wayne, NJ ("Mink Hair"); Mane Concept Inc. of Moonachie, NJ; Oradell International Corp. d/b/a MOTOWN TRESS of Manalapan, NJ ("Oradell"); Beauty Plus Trading Co., Inc. d/b/a Janet Collection<sup>TM</sup> of Moonachie, NJ; Model Model Hair Fashion, Inc. of Port Washington, NY; New Jigu Trading Corp. d/b/a Harlem 125® of Port Washington, NY; Shake N Go Fashion, Inc. of Port Washington, NY; Amekor Industries, Inc. d/b/a Vivica A. Fox® Hair Collection of Conshohocken, PA; I & I Hair of Dallas, TX; Zugoo Import Inc. of Norcross, GA. Id. The Office of Unfair Import Investigations ("OUII") was also named as a party in this investigation. Id. at 73124.

On November 15, 2024, the Commission terminated the investigation as to respondents Kum Kang, Mink Hair, and Oradell based on respective consent order stipulations and proposed consent orders. *See* Order No. 10 (Oct. 18, 2024), *unreviewed by* Comm'n Notice (Nov. 15, 2024). On December 11, 2024, the Commission terminated the investigation as to respondent I & I Hair based on a consent order stipulation and a proposed consent order. *See* Order No. 16 (Nov. 14, 2024), *unreviewed by* Comm'n Notice (Dec. 11, 2024).

On January 17, 2025, the Commission determined respondent LocN to be in default. See Order No. 26 (Dec. 19, 2024), unreviewed by Comm'n Notice (January 17, 2025).

On December 3, 2024, JBS Hair and JMS filed a joint motion to terminate this investigation based on a consent order stipulation and proposed consent order. On December 10, 2024, JBS Hair and JMS filed a corrected joint motion. On December 16, 2024, OUII filed a response supporting the motion.

On December 23, 2024, the presiding ALJ issued the subject ID (Order No. 28), granting the corrected joint motion pursuant to Rule 210.21(c) (19 CFR 210.21(c)). ID at 2. The ID finds that the joint motion includes the statement that "there are no other agreements, written or oral, express or implied between the parties concerning the subject matter of the investigation." *Id.* The ID finds that the motion attaches a consent order stipulation that complies with Commission Rule 210.21(c)(3) (19 CFR 210.21(c)(3)) and a consent order that complies with Commission Rule 210.21(c)(4) (19 CFR 210.21(c)(4)). *Id.* at 2-3. The ID also finds that any effect the proposed consent order may have on the statutory public interest factors does not counsel against entry of the order. *Id.* at 4.

No party filed a petition for review of the subject ID.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID (Order No. 28). Respondent JMS Trading Corp. is terminated from this investigation based on a consent order issued herewith.

The Commission vote for this determination took place on January 21, 2025.

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: January 21, 2025