

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

**CERTAIN HIGH-STRENGTH ALUMINUM
OR ALUMINUM ALLOY-COATED STEEL,
AND AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS AND
AUTOMOBILES CONTAINING SAME**

Inv. No. 337-TA-1402

ORDER NO. 7: PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

(July 15, 2024)

Pursuant to Order No. 6 (June 25, 2024), Complainant ArcelorMittal S.A. (“ArcelorMittal” or “Complainant”) and Respondents VinFast Auto Ltd., VinFast Auto, LLC, VinFast USA Distribution, LLC, Vingroup USA, LLC, and VinFast Trading and Production JSC (collectively, “VinFast” or “Respondents”). The proposed procedural schedule generally complies with the framework set forth in Ground Rule 2, with the exception of the proposed date for motions for summary determination, which is not 60 days before the evidentiary hearing, as required by Commission Rules. *See* 19 C.F.R. § 210.18(a); Order No. 6. In addition, certain changes have been made to the schedule for post-hearing briefs.

The investigation shall proceed with the deadlines set forth below:

Event	Date
File identification of expert witnesses, including their expertise and curriculum vitae	August 23, 2024
Initial deadline for responses to contention interrogatories on issues for which the responding party bears the burden of proof, and on public interest issues (if applicable)	August 23, 2024

Initial deadline for responses to contention interrogatories on issues for which the responding party does not bear the burden of proof	September 13, 2024
Exchange list of claim terms to be construed, if any	September 16, 2024
Exchange proposed claim constructions	September 23, 2024
Meet and confer to discuss and limit number of disputed claim terms	September 27, 2024
Joint status report outlining whether a <i>Markman</i> hearing is required	September 30, 2024
Exchange of initial expert reports (if any) on claim construction issues	October 2, 2024
Initial <i>Markman</i> Briefs	October 2, 2024
Exchange of rebuttal expert reports (if any) on claim construction issues	October 23, 2024
Rebuttal <i>Markman</i> Briefs	October 23, 2024
File joint proposed claim construction chart	November 1, 2024
File Joint Technology Stipulation	November 1, 2024
File notice of prior art	November 1, 2024
Cut-off date for supplements to contention interrogatories on issues for which the responding party bears the burden of proof, and on public interest issues (if applicable)	November 1, 2024
Technology Tutorial and <i>Markman</i> Hearing	November 8, 2024
File updated joint proposed claim construction chart	November 12, 2024

Cut-off date for supplements to contention interrogatories on issues for which the responding party does not bear the burden of proof	November 15, 2024
Fact discovery cutoff and completion	November 15, 2024
Deadline for motions to compel fact discovery	November 20, 2024
Exchange of initial expert reports (identify tests/surveys/data)	November 22, 2024
Exchange of rebuttal expert reports	December 11, 2024
File tentative list of witnesses a party will call to testify at the hearing, with an identification of each witness' relationship to the party	December 13, 2024
Deadline by which parties must have completed attendance at one-day mediation session	December 20, 2024
Deadline to file requests for remote witness testimony	December 20, 2024
Expert discovery cutoff and completion	December 23, 2024
Joint Mediation Report	By December 25, 2024
Deadline for motions to compel expert discovery	December 30, 2024
Deadline for filing summary determination motions	January 2, 2025
Deadline to file responses to requests for remote witness testimony	January 3, 2025
Exchange of exhibit lists among the parties	January 13, 2025
Exchange proposed direct exhibits, with physical exhibits available – Complainant(s) and Respondent(s)	January 16, 2025
Exchange proposed rebuttal exhibits, with physical exhibits available – all parties	January 22, 2025

File pre-hearing statements and briefs – Complainant(s) and Respondent(s)	January 24, 2025
File requests for receipt of evidence without a sponsoring witness	February 7, 2025
Deadline to file motions <i>in limine</i>	February 7, 2025
Deadline to file high priority objections statement	February 7, 2025
File responses to requests for receipt of evidence without a sponsoring witness	February 14, 2025
Submit proposed exhibits to Administrative Law Judge	February 14, 2025
File responses to motions in limine	February 14, 2025
File responses to high priority objections statement	February 14, 2025
Pre-hearing conference	February 28, 2025
Hearing	March 3-7, 2025
File initial post-hearing briefs and exhibit lists and submit final exhibits	March 25, 2025
File reply post-hearing briefs	April 8, 2025
Initial Determination	June 23, 2025
Target date for completion of investigation	October 23, 2025

SO ORDERED.


 Monica Bhattacharyya
 Administrative Law Judge