UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of **CERTAIN ACTIVE ELECTRICAL CABLES AND COMPONENTS THEREOF**	**Inv. No. 337-TA-1446**

NOTICE OF INSTITUTION OF INVESTIGATION

Institution of investigation pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1337

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a complaint was filed with the U.S. International Trade Commission on March 13, 2025, under section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, on behalf of Credo Semiconductor Inc. of San Jose, California and Credo Technology Group Ltd. of the Cayman Islands. An amended complaint was filed on March 18, 2025. A supplement to the amended complaint was filed on March 27, 2025. A second supplement was filed on March 31, 2025. A third supplement was filed on April 7, 2025. The amended complaint, as supplemented, alleges violations of section 337 based upon the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain active electrical cables and components thereof by reason of the infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent No. 10,877,233 ("the '233 patent"); U.S. Patent No. 11,012,252 ("the '252 patent"); and U.S. Patent No. 11,032,111 ("the '111 patent"). The amended complaint, as supplemented, further alleges that an industry in the United States exists as required by the applicable Federal Statute.

The complainants request that the Commission institute an investigation and, after the investigation, issue a limited exclusion order and cease and desist orders.

ADDRESSES: The complaint, except for any confidential information contained therein, may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at https://edis.usitc.gov. For help accessing EDIS, please email EDIS3Help@usitc.gov. Hearing impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on (202) 205-1810. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at (202) 205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server at https://www.usitc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pathenia Proctor, The Office of Unfair Import Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, telephone (202) 205-2560.

AUTHORITY: The authority for institution of this investigation is contained in section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, and in section 210.10 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 19 C.F.R. 210.10 (2024).

SCOPE OF INVESTIGATION: Having considered the complaint, the U.S. International Trade Commission, on April 14, 2025, ORDERED THAT –

(1) Pursuant to subsection (b) of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, an investigation be instituted to determine whether there is a violation of subsection (a)(1)(B) of section 337 in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, or the sale within the United States after importation of certain products identified in paragraph (2) by reason of infringement of one or more of claims 1-20 of the '233 patent; 1-14 of the '252 patent; and 1-19 of the '111 patent, and whether an industry in the United States exists as required by subsection (a)(2) of section 337;

(2) Pursuant to section 210.10(b)(1) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 19 C.F.R. 210.10(b)(1), the plain language description of the accused products or category of accused products, which defines the scope of the investigation, is "active electrical cables, which are copper cables including high bandwidth connectors, high speed metal conductors, and digital signal support elements such as a digital signal processor (DSP) or retimer, and components thereof"[1];

(3) Pursuant to Commission Rule 210.50(b)(l), 19 C.F.R. § 210.50(b)(1), the presiding administrative law judge shall take evidence or other information and hear arguments from the parties or other interested persons with respect to the public interest in this investigation, as appropriate, and provide the Commission with findings of fact and a recommended determination on this issue, which shall be limited to the statutory public interest factors set forth in 19 U.S.C. §§ l337(d)(l), (f)(1), (g)(1);

(4) For the purpose of the investigation so instituted, the following are hereby named as parties upon which this notice of investigation shall be served:

[1] In this plain English statement of the scope of the investigation, "components thereof" is included pursuant to the allegations in the amended complaint. To the extent that the complainants have included such an allegation based upon a concern regarding specific components, the complainants should, during the course of this investigation, seek adjudication and specifically identify the components of the claimed invention sought for exclusion. The lack of adjudication of specific components, however, would not affect any later ability to adjudicate and remedy circumvention through the importation of components with additional enforcement actions.

(a) The complainants are:

Credo Semiconductor Inc.
110 Rio Robles
San Jose, California 95134

Credo Technology Group Ltd.
Ugland House
Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands KY1-1104

(b) The respondents are the following entities alleged to be in violation of section 337, and are the parties upon which the complaint is to be served:

Amphenol Corporation
358 Hall Avenue
Wallingford, Connecticut 06492

Molex, LLC
2222 Wellington Court
Lisle, Illinois 60532

TE Connectivity PLC
Parkmore Business Park West
Parkmore
H91VN2T Ballybrit
Galway, Ireland

(c) The Office of Unfair Import Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Suite 401, Washington, D.C. 20436; and

(5) For the investigation so instituted, the Chief Administrative Law Judge, U.S. International Trade Commission, shall designate the presiding Administrative Law Judge.

Responses to the complaint and the notice of investigation must be submitted by the named respondents in accordance with section 210.13 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 19 C.F.R. 210.13. Pursuant to 19 C.F.R. 201.16(e) and 210.13(a), such responses will be considered by the Commission if received not later than 20 days after the date of service by the Commission of the complaint and the notice of investigation. Extensions of time for submitting responses to the complaint and the notice of investigation will not be granted unless good cause therefor is shown.

Failure of a respondent to file a timely response to each allegation in the complaint and in this notice may be deemed to constitute a waiver of the right to appear and contest the allegations of the complaint and this notice, and to authorize the administrative law judge and the Commission, without further notice to the respondent, to find the facts to be as alleged in the complaint and this notice and to enter an initial determination and a final determination containing such findings, and may result in the issuance of an exclusion order or a cease and desist order or both directed against the respondent.

By order of the Commission.

Lisa R. Barton
Secretary to the Commission

Issued: April 14, 2025

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DESIGNATION OF OUII ATTORNEY
FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS

The Office of Unfair Import Investigations ("OUII") hereby designates Steve Shahida, Esq., (202) 205-3117, Khashayar.Shahida@usitc.gov, as OUII's lead attorney for service of process. It is requested that all documents served by the Commission or filed by the parties in the above-referenced investigation be served upon this attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

David O. Lloyd, Acting Director

OFFICE OF UNFAIR IMPORT INVESTIGATIONS
U.S. International Trade Commission
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(202) 205-2560
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April 14, 2025

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PUBLIC CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Lisa R. Barton, hereby certify that the attached **INSTITUTION OF INVESTIGATION** has been served via EDIS upon the Commission Investigative Attorney, **Steve Shahida Esq.** and the following parties as indicated, on **April 14, 2025**.

Lisa R. Barton, Secretary
U.S. International Trade Commission
500 E Street, SW, Room 112
Washington, DC 20436

Complainant:

Credo Semiconductor Inc.
110 Rio Robles
San Jose, California 95134

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Credo Technology Group Ltd.
Ugland House
Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands KY1-1104

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On Behalf of Complainants:

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Credo Semiconductor Inc.
110 Rio Robles
San Jose, CA 95134

Re: Certain Active Electrical Cables and Components Thereof; Inv. No. 337-TA-1446

Dear Sir/Madam:

This letter is to advise you that the U.S. International Trade Commission has instituted an investigation pursuant to section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1337). A copy of the Commission's notice of investigation is enclosed. Also enclosed is the Section 337 Mediation Program brochure. After reviewing the brochure, please sign and return the enclosed certification of receipt.

Sincerely,

Lisa R. Barton
Secretary

Enclosures:
1. Notice of Investigation
2. Publication Regarding the Section 337 Mediation Program
3. Certification of Receipt of Mediation Materials

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Richard A. Sterba
Fish & Richardson P.C.,
1000 Main Ave., S.W.
Suite 1000
Washington, DC 20224

Re: Certain Active Electrical Cables and Components Thereof; Inv. No. 337-TA-1446

Dear Ricahrd A. Sterba:

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Amphenol Corporation
358 Hall Avenue
Wallingford, Connecticut 06492

Re: Certain Active Electrical Cables and Components Thereof; Inv. No. 337-TA-1446

Dear Sir/Madam:

This letter is to advise you that the United States International Trade Commission has instituted an investigation pursuant to Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1337). **Amphenol Corporation** is a named respondent in this investigation.

We are hereby serving you with a copy of the Complaint and the Notice of Investigation issued in this matter. Enclosed is a copy of the Code of Federal Regulations. Also enclosed is a the Section 337 Mediation Program brochure. After reviewing this brochure, please sign and return the enclosed certification of receipt.

Please note that the Notice requires a response to the allegations in the Complaint and the response must be received not later than twenty (20) days after the date of service of the Complaint. Failure to file a response may result in inferences being drawn against your interests.

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Molex, LLC
2222 Wellington Court
Lisle, Illinois 60532

Re: Certain Active Electrical Cables and Components Thereof; Inv. No. 337-TA-1446

Dear Sir/Madam:

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TE Connectivity PLC
Parkmore Business Park West
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Galway, Ireland

Re: Certain Active Electrical Cables and Components Thereof; **Inv. No. 337-TA-1446**

Dear Sir/Madam:

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Embassy of Ireland
2234 Massachusetts Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20008

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Dear Sir/Madam:

This letter is to advise you that the United States International Trade Commission has instituted an investigation pursuant to Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1337). One or more of the parties named in the investigation is located in **Ireland**.

Pursuant to Commission Rule 210.11(a) (3), we are hereby serving you with a copy of the Complaint filed in this investigation together with a copy of the Commission's Notice of Investigation.

Sincerely,

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Dear Lynda Marshall:

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Dear Dax Terrill:

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Maria B. Coppola
Office of International Affairs
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Re: Certain Active Electrical Cables and Components Thereof; Inv. No. 337-TA-1446

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