UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of **CERTAIN ELECTRICAL CONNECTORS AND CAGES, COMPONENTS THEREOF, AND PRODUCTS CONTAINING THE SAME**	**Inv. No. 337-TA-1241**

ORDER NO. 50: INITIAL DETERMINATION EXTENDING TARGET DATE

(January 24, 2022)

By publication of the Notice of Investigation in the Federal Register, this investigation was instituted on January 21, 2021, pursuant to section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended. 86 FR 7104-05 (Jan. 26, 2021). The investigation was initially assigned to current Acting Chief Administrative Law Judge Cheney, who set the current "16-month target date of May 26, 2022." Order No. 5 at 1 (Feb. 11, 2021) (EDIS Doc. No. 733843). The investigation was reassigned (Notice to Parties; EDIS Doc. No. 738223) to former Chief Administrative Law Judge Bullock on March 29, 2021 before being reassigned (Notice to the Parties; EDIS Doc. ID 751526) to the undersigned on September 13, 2021.

The undersigned finds good cause to extend the target date of this investigation to July 5, 2022. Complainant is asserting 26 claims from three unrelated patents and the parties are seeking adjudication of at least 22 accused and domestic industry products. A full evidentiary hearing was conducted before the undersigned on November 3-5 and 8-9, 2021. The transcript of the hearing is over 1,200 pages. In addition to the testimony elicited at the hearing, witness statements totaling more than 1,000 pages of testimony were submitted.

The complexity of this investigation, along with the requirements of the undersigned's other investigations, necessitate an extension of the target date.[1] Moreover, in addition to the undersigned's own responsibilities, in November and December 2021, the undersigned's attorney advisors worked on investigations over which former Chief Administrative Law Judge Bullock presided. In these investigations, two final initial determinations and one recommend determination were issued in December.[2]

Because the completion of the Initial Determination in this investigation is impracticable by the current deadline of January 26, 2022, the undersigned finds good cause to extend the target date of this investigation to Tuesday, July 5, 2022, which is approximately seventeen months and one week after institution of the investigation. The final initial determination on violation shall be due no later than Friday, March 4, 2022.

Pursuant to section 210.42(h)(3) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 19 C.F.R. § 210.42(h)(3), this initial determination shall become the determination of the Commission within thirty (30) days after the date of service hereof unless a party files a petition for review of the initial determination pursuant to 19 C.F.R. 210.43(a), or the Commission,

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[1] *See Certain Power Inverters and Converters, Vehicles Containing the Same, and Components Thereof*, Inv. No. 337-TA-1267, Order No. 30 (Jan. 18, 2022; EDIS Doc. ID 760711) (*Markman* order); *Certain Residential Premises Security Monitoring and Automation Control Panels, and Components Thereof*; Inv. No. 337-TA-1273 (*Markman* hearing held on January 6, 2022); *Certain Flocked Swabs, Products Containing Flocked Swabs, and Methods of Using Same*, Inv. No. 337-TA-1279 (*Markman* hearing scheduled for February 8, 2022); *Certain Light-Based Physiological Measurement Devices and Components Thereof*, Inv. No. 337-TA-1276 (*Markman* hearing scheduled for February 17, 2022).

[2] *See Certain Cloud-Connected Wood Pellet Grills and Components Thereof*, Inv. No. 337-TA-1237, (final initial determination issued December 6, 2021); *Certain Automated Storage and Retrieval Systems, Robots, and Components Thereof,* Inv. No. 337-TA-1228 (final initial determination issued December 13, 2021); *Certain Electronic Candle Products and Components Thereof*, Inv. No. 337-TA-1195 (recommended determination issued December 29, 2021).

pursuant to 19 C.F.R. § 210.44, orders on its own motion a review of the initial determination or certain issues therein.

SO ORDERED.

Monica Bhattacharyya
Administrative Law Judge