INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 337–TA–839]

Certain Consumer Electronics, Including Mobile Phones and Tablets; Commission Determination Not To Review an Initial Determination Granting a Joint Motion To Terminate the HTC Respondents From the Investigation; Termination of the Investigation


ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission (“the Commission”) has determined not to review an initial determination (“ID”) (Order No. 35) issued by the presiding administrative law judge (“ALJ”) in the above-captioned investigation terminating the last respondents.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Michael Liberman, Esq., Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 205–3115. Copies of non-confidential documents filed in connection with this investigation are or will be available for inspection during official business hours (8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.) in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 205–2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server at http://www.usitc.gov. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket (EDIS) at http://edis.usitc.gov. Hearing impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission’s TDD terminal on (202) 205–1810.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: This investigation was instituted on April 24, 2012, based on a complaint filed by Pragmanus AV, LLC of Alexandria, Virginia alleging a violation of section 337 in the importation, sale for importation, or sale within the United States after importation of certain consumer electronics, including mobile phones and tablets, by reason of infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 5,854,893; 6,237,025; 7,054,904; 7,185,054; and 7,206,809. FR 24514 (Apr. 24, 2012). The Commission named ASUSTeK Computer, Inc. of Taipei City, Taiwan, ASUS Computer International, Inc. of Fremont, California; HTC Corporation of Taoyuan, Taiwan, HTC America, Inc. of Bellevue, Washington (collectively, “HTC”); LG Electronics, Inc. of Seoul, Republic of Korea, LG Electronics U.S.A., Inc. of Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey, LG Electronics MobileComm U.S.A., Inc. of San Diego, California; Pantech Co., Ltd. of Seoul, Republic of Korea, Pantech Wireless, Inc. of Atlanta, Georgia; Research In Motion Ltd. of Ontario, Canada and Research In Motion Corp. of Irving, Texas; Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd of Seoul, Republic of Korea, Samsung Electronics America, Inc. of Ridgefield Park, New Jersey, and Samsung Telecommunications America, L.L.C. of Richardson, Texas as respondents. Id. The Commission’s Office of Unfair Import Investigations (“OUII”) is also a party in this investigation. Id. Subsequently, all respondents other than HTC were terminated from the investigation based on settlement agreements.

On January 22, 2013, complainant and the HTC respondents filed a joint motion to terminate HTC from the investigation based on a settlement. The OUII supported the motion.

On February 4, 2013, the ALJ issued an ID (Order No. 35) granting the motion. The ALJ found that termination of the investigation based on settlement was in the public interest. No party petitioned for review of the ID, and the Commission has determined not to review it. The investigation has been terminated.


Lisa R. Barton, Acting Secretary to the Commission.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 337–TA–871]

Certain Wireless Communications Base Stations and Components Thereof; Institution of Investigation Pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1337


ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a complaint was filed with the U.S. International Trade Commission on January 24, 2013, under section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, on behalf of Adaptix, Inc. of Carrolton, Texas. The complaint 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 wireless communications base stations and components thereof by reason of infringement of U.S. Patent No. 6,870,808 (“the ‘808 patent”). The complaint further alleges that an industry in the United States exists as required by subsection (a)(2) of section 337.

The complainant requests that the Commission institute an investigation and, after the investigation, issue an exclusion order and cease and desist orders.

ADDRESSES: The complaint, except for any confidential information contained therein, is available for inspection during official business hours (8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.) in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20436, Room 112, Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 205–2000. 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 http://www.usitc.gov. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket (EDIS) at http://edis.usitc.gov.


Scope of Investigation: Having considered the complaint, the U.S. International Trade Commission, on February 22, 2013, 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 wireless communications base stations and components thereof by reason of infringement of one or more of claims 1, 2, 4, 9, 13–16, 20, 21, 31, 32, 34, and 41 of the '808 patent, and whether an industry in the United States exists as required by subsection (a)(2) of section 337;

(2) Pursuant to Commission Rule 210.50(b)(1), 19 CFR 210.50(b)(1), the presiding administrative law judge shall take evidence or other information and hear arguments from the parties and 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, 19 U.S.C. 1337(d)(1), (f)(1), (g)(1).

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

(a) The complainant is: Adaptix, Inc., 6100 Legacy Drive, Plano, TX 75024.
(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:

Ericsson Inc., 6300 Legacy Drive, Plano, TX 75024.
(d) 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 CFR 210.13. Pursuant to 19 CFR 201.16(d)–(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,
Acting Secretary to the Commission.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Connected Media Experience, Inc.

Notice is hereby given that, on February 5, 2013, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 et seq. (“the Act”), Robotics Technology Consortium, Inc. (“RTC”) has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its membership. The notifications were filed for the purpose of extending the Act’s provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances. Specifically, RTC intends to add Omediae, LLC a.k.a. Chordata, LLC, Charlotte, NC; Sky Research, Inc., Etna, NH; and TYZX, Inc., Menlo Park, CA; to the membership of this group research project. Specifically, Omediae, LLC a.k.a. Chordata, LLC, Charlotte, NC; Sky Research, Inc., Etna, NH; and TYZX, Inc., Menlo Park, CA, have withdrawn as parties to this venture.

Also, Butterfly Haptics, LLC, Pittsburgh, PA; EmergentViews, Inc., San Francisco, CA; International Computer Science Institute, Berkeley, CA; L–3 Services Inc., Burlington, MA; National Robotics Training Center (NRTC) Florence Darlington Technical College, Florence, SC; Neptec USA Inc., Houston, TX; Northwest UAV Propulsion Systems, McMinville, OR; rChordata, LLC, Charlotte, NC; Sky Research, Inc., Etna, NH; and TYZX, Inc., Menlo Park, CA, have withdrawn as parties to this venture.

No other changes have been made in either the membership or planned activity of the group research project. Membership in this group research project remains open, and RTC intends to file additional written notifications disclosing all changes in membership.

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Register pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on December 19, 2012 (77 FR 75190).

Patricia A. Brink,
Director of Civil Enforcement, Antitrust Division.

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