

The authority for this action is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

Mark J. Gehlhar,

*Information Collection Clearance Officer,
Division of Regulatory Support.*

[FR Doc. 2020-09744 Filed 5-6-20; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4310-05-P

INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation Nos. 701-TA-643 and 731-TA-1493 (Preliminary)]

Small Vertical Shaft Engines From China

Determinations

On the basis of the record¹ developed in the subject investigations, the United States International Trade Commission (“Commission”) determines, pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930 (“the Act”), that there is a reasonable indication that an industry in the United States is materially injured, by reason of imports of small vertical shaft engines from China, provided for in subheadings 8407.90.10, 8409.91.99, 8433.11.00, 8424.30.90, and 8407.90.90 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, that are alleged to be sold in the United States at less than fair value (“LTFV”) and to be subsidized by the government of China.²

Commencement of Final Phase Investigations

Pursuant to section 207.18 of the Commission’s rules, the Commission also gives notice of the commencement of the final phase of its investigations. The Commission will issue a final phase notice of scheduling, which will be published in the **Federal Register** as provided in section 207.21 of the Commission’s rules, upon notice from the U.S. Department of Commerce (“Commerce”) of affirmative preliminary determinations in the investigations under sections 703(b) or 733(b) of the Act, or, if the preliminary determinations are negative, upon notice of affirmative final determinations in those investigations under sections 705(a) or 735(a) of the Act. Parties that filed entries of appearance in the preliminary phase of the investigations need not enter a separate appearance for the final phase of the investigations. Industrial users, and, if the merchandise under

investigation is sold at the retail level, representative consumer organizations have the right to appear as parties in Commission antidumping and countervailing duty investigations. The Secretary will prepare a public service list containing the names and addresses of all persons, or their representatives, who are parties to the investigations.

Background

On March 18, 2020, Briggs & Stratton Corporation, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin filed petitions with the Commission and Commerce, alleging that an industry in the United States is materially injured or threatened with material injury by reason of subsidized and LTFV imports of small vertical shaft engines from China. Accordingly, effective March 18, 2020, the Commission instituted countervailing duty investigation No. 701-TA-643 and antidumping duty investigation No. 731-TA-1493 (Preliminary).

Notice of the institution of the Commission’s investigations and of a conference through written testimony to be held in connection therewith was given by posting copies of the notice in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, and by publishing the notice in the **Federal Register** of March 25, 2020 (85 FR 16958). In light of the restrictions on access to the Commission building due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Commission conducted its conference through written questions, submissions of opening remarks and written testimony, written responses to questions, and postconference briefs. All persons who requested the opportunity were permitted to participate.

The Commission made these determinations pursuant to sections 703(a) and 733(a) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1671b(a) and 1673b(a)). It completed and filed its determinations in these investigations on May 4, 2020. The views of the Commission are contained in USITC Publication 5054 (May 2020), entitled *Small Vertical Shaft Engines from China: Investigation Nos. 701-TA-643 and 731-TA-1493 (Preliminary)*.

By order of the Commission.

Issued: May 4, 2020.

Lisa Barton,

Secretary to the Commission.

[FR Doc. 2020-09792 Filed 5-6-20; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 7020-02-P

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Drug Enforcement Administration

Isaac J. Hearne, M.D.; Decision and Order

On September 12, 2019, the Acting Assistant Administrator, Diversion Control Division, Drug Enforcement Administration (hereinafter, DEA or Government), issued an Order to Show Cause (hereinafter, OSC) to Isaac J. Hearne, M.D. (hereinafter, Registrant) of Reno, Nevada. OSC, at 1. The OSC proposed the revocation of Registrant’s Certificate of Registration No. BH7844500. *Id.* It alleged that Registrant does “not have authority to handle controlled substances in Nevada, the state in which . . . [he is] registered with the DEA.” *Id.* (citing 21 U.S.C. 823(f) and 824(a)(3)).

Specifically, the OSC alleged that, “on August 16, 2018, the . . . [Board of Medical Examiners of the State of Nevada (hereinafter, NBME)] issued its Order of Summary Suspension whereby . . . [Registrant’s] Nevada license to practice medicine . . . was suspended indefinitely.” OSC, at 2. The OSC further alleged that “[a]s of the date of this Order, . . . [NBME] has not in any way modified, or lifted its suspension order concerning . . . [Registrant’s] medical license.” *Id.* The OSC concluded that “DEA must revoke . . . [Registrant’s registration] based on . . . [his] lack of authority to handle controlled substances in the State of Nevada.” *Id.*

The OSC notified Registrant of the right to request a hearing on the allegations or to submit a written statement, while waiving the right to a hearing, the procedures for electing each option, and the consequences for failing to elect either option. *Id.* (citing 21 CFR 1301.43). The OSC also notified Registrant of the opportunity to submit a corrective action plan. OSC, at 3 (citing 21 U.S.C. 824(c)(2)(C)).

Adequacy of Service

In a Declaration dated February 11, 2020, a DEA Task Force Officer (hereinafter, TFO) assigned to the Las Vegas District Office of the Los Angeles Division stated that he, a DEA Diversion Investigator (hereinafter, DI), a DEA Special Agent (hereinafter, SA), and “other DEA investigative personnel responded to a residential address . . . to serve” the OSC on Registrant on December 10, 2019. Request for Final Agency Action dated February 13, 2020 (hereinafter, RFAA), Exhibit (hereinafter, EX) 10 (Declaration of DEA Task Force Officer dated February 11,

¹ The record is defined in sec. 207.2(f) of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 207.2(f)).

² 85 FR 16958, March 25, 2020.

2020), at 3. TFO stated that, upon arrival at Registrant's residence, the DI gave him and the SA a photograph of Registrant and the OSC. *Id.* TFO stated that he "knocked on the door of the residence and made contact with an elderly unknown female (hereinafter, UF)." *Id.* TFO "asked the UF if . . . [Registrant] was home . . . [and UF] responded that she was not certain . . . but would check . . . to see if he was there." *Id.* UF invited TFO and SA "into the home and . . . [they] accepted." *Id.*

TFO stated that as he was "standing in the living room at the base of the stairs leading to the second floor, . . . [he] observed the UF as she went up the stairs and approached a closed bedroom door." *Id.* According to TFO, "UF knocked on the closed bedroom door . . . [and a]lmost immediately, . . . [he] saw the door partially open." *Id.* TFO stated that he "positively identified . . . [Registrant] visually from the photo." *Id.* Then, according to TFO, Registrant "whispered[ed] to the UF to tell DEA personnel that he was not there." *Id.* TFO, "at that point . . . yelled up the stairs . . . 'I can see you!'" *Id.* According to TFO, Registrant "then opened the bedroom door and greeted . . . [TFO] as he walked down the stairs." *Id.* TFO reported that he handed the OSC to Registrant "and explained to him that DEA was seeking revocation of his DEA certificate of registration." *Id.* at 4. When Registrant "began arguing his case," TFO "explained that . . . [he] was only there to serve" the OSC on him. *Id.* TFO and SA "asked . . . Registrant if he understood and he replied that he did." *Id.* TFO and SA then left Registrant's residence. *Id.*

The Government forwarded its RFAA, along with the evidentiary record, to this office on February 14, 2020. In its RFAA, the Government represented that "Registrant has not requested a hearing within 30-days of his receipt of the . . . [OSC], nor has he corresponded in writing or otherwise with regard to his position on a hearing before DEA." RFAA, at 2. The Government requested that Registrant's registration be revoked." *Id.* at 6.

Based on TFO's Declaration, the Government's written representations, and my review of the record, I find that the Government accomplished service of the OSC on Registrant on December 10, 2019. I also find that more than thirty days have now passed since the Government accomplished service of the OSC on Registrant. Further, based on the Government's written representations and my review of the record, I find that neither Registrant, nor anyone purporting to represent Registrant, requested a hearing,

submitted a written statement while waiving Registrant's right to a hearing, or submitted a corrective action plan. Accordingly, I find that Registrant has waived the right to a hearing and the right to submit a written statement and corrective action plan. 21 CFR 1301.43(d) and 21 U.S.C. 824(c)(2)(C). I, therefore, issue this Decision and Order based on the record submitted by the Government, which constitutes the entire record before me. 21 CFR 1301.43(e).

Findings of Fact

Registrant's DEA Registration

Registrant is the holder of DEA Certificate of Registration No. BH7844500 at the registered address of 294 E Moana Lane, Suite 22, Reno, NV 89502. RFAA, EX 1 (Facsimile of DEA Certificate of Registration Number BH7844500), at 1; RFAA, EX 2 (Certification of Registration History dated October 11, 2019), at 1. Pursuant to this registration, Registrant is authorized to dispense controlled substances in schedules 2, 2N, 3, and 3N as a practitioner. RFAA, EX 2, at 1. Registrant's registration expires on October 31, 2020 and is in an "active pending status." *Id.*

The Status of Registrant's State License and Registration

The Government submitted evidence that the Investigative Committee of the NBME filed an Order of Summary Suspension of Registrant's medical license on August 16, 2018. *Id.* at EX 3 (NBME, Order of Summary Suspension dated August 16, 2018), at 2. According to the Declaration of DI, the online records of the NBME showed that Registrant's medical license was "revoked." *Id.* at EX 9 (Declaration of DEA Diversion Investigator dated January 28, 2020), at 3. According to the printout that DI obtained from her research on January 22, 2020, Registrant's medical license was revoked on or about September 23, 2019. *Id.* at EX 7 (Online Licensing Printout entitled "Details—Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners" for License No. 10767, dated January 22, 2020), at 1. According to the online records of the NBME, of which I take official notice, Registrant's medical license remains revoked.¹ Nevada State

¹ Under the Administrative Procedure Act, an agency "may take official notice of facts at any stage in a proceeding—even in the final decision." United States Department of Justice, Attorney General's Manual on the Administrative Procedure Act 80 (1947) (Wm. W. Gaunt & Sons, Inc., Reprint 1979). Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 556(e), "[w]hen an agency decision rests on official notice of a material fact not appearing in the evidence in the record, a

Board of Medical Examiners Licensee Details, <https://nsbme.mylicense.com/verification> (last visited April 28, 2020). As such, I find that Registrant's Nevada medical license is currently revoked.

The Government also submitted evidence that Registrant's Nevada controlled substance registration is no longer active. RFAA, EX 9, at 3. According to the online records of the Nevada State Board of Pharmacy queried by DI, Registrant's state controlled substance registration was "[s]uspended by other agency." *Id.*; RFAA, EX 8 (Online Licensing Printout entitled "Nevada State Board of Pharmacy—Verify License" for controlled substance License No. CS12295, dated January 22, 2020), at 1. According to the online records of the Nevada State Board of Pharmacy, of which I take official notice, Registrant's controlled substance registration remains "[s]uspended by other agency."² Nevada State Board of Pharmacy Verify License, <https://online.nvbop.org/#/verifylicense> (last visited April 28, 2020). As such, I find that Registrant is not currently authorized to handle controlled substances in Nevada.

Discussion

Pursuant to 21 U.S.C. 824(a)(3), the Attorney General is authorized to suspend or revoke a registration issued under section 823 of the CSA "upon a finding that the registrant . . . has had his State license or registration suspended . . . [or] revoked . . . by competent State authority and is no longer authorized by State law to engage in the . . . dispensing of controlled substances." With respect to a practitioner, DEA has also long held that the possession of authority to dispense controlled substances under the laws of the state in which a practitioner engages in professional practice is a fundamental condition for obtaining and maintaining a practitioner's registration. *See, e.g., James L. Hooper, M.D.*, 76 FR 71,371 (2011), *pet. for rev.*

party is entitled, on timely request, to an opportunity to show the contrary." Accordingly, Registrant may dispute my finding by filing a properly supported motion for reconsideration of finding of fact within fifteen calendar days of the date of this Order. Any such motion shall be filed with the Office of the Administrator and a copy shall be served on the Government. In the event Registrant files a motion, the Government shall have fifteen calendar days to file a response. Any such motion and response may be filed and served by email (dea.addo.attorneys@dea.usdoj.gov) or by mail to Office of the Administrator, Attn: ADDO, Drug Enforcement Administration, 8701 Morrisette Drive, Springfield, VA 22152.

² *See* footnote 1. If Registrant disputes this finding, he may do so according to the terms stated in footnote 1.

denied, 481 Fed. Appx. 826 (4th Cir. 2012); *Frederick Marsh Blanton, M.D.*, 43 FR 27,616, 27,617 (1978).

This rule derives from the text of two provisions of the CSA. First, Congress defined the term “practitioner” to mean “a physician . . . or other person licensed, registered, or otherwise permitted, by . . . the jurisdiction in which he practices . . . to distribute, dispense, . . . [or] administer . . . a controlled substance in the course of professional practice.” 21 U.S.C. 802(21). Second, in setting the requirements for obtaining a practitioner’s registration, Congress directed that “[t]he Attorney General shall register practitioners . . . if the applicant is authorized to dispense . . . controlled substances under the laws of the State in which he practices.” 21 U.S.C. 823(f). Because Congress has clearly mandated that a practitioner possess state authority in order to be deemed a practitioner under the CSA, DEA has held repeatedly that revocation of a practitioner’s registration is the appropriate sanction whenever she is no longer authorized to dispense controlled substances under the laws of the state in which she practices. *See, e.g., James L. Hooper, M.D.*, 76 FR at 71,371–72; *Sheran Arden Yeates, M.D.*, 71 FR 39,130, 39,131 (2006); *Dominick A. Ricci, M.D.*, 58 FR 51,104, 51,105 (1993); *Bobby Watts, M.D.*, 53 FR 11,919, 11,920 (1988); *Frederick Marsh Blanton, M.D.*, 43 FR at 27,617.

According to Nevada statute, “[e]very person desiring to practice medicine must, before beginning to practice, procure from the Board a license authorizing the person to practice.” Nev. Rev. Stat. § 630.160(1) (Westlaw, current through the end of the 80th Regular Session (2019)). Further, the phrase “practice medicine” includes prescribing “for any human disease.” Nev. Rev. Stat. § 630.020(1) (Westlaw, current through the end of the 80th Regular Session (2019)). As already discussed, Registrant’s medical license is currently revoked. Thus, Registrant currently is not authorized to practice medicine, including to prescribe controlled substances, in Nevada.

Nevada statute requires that “[e]very practitioner . . . who dispenses any controlled substance within this State . . . shall obtain biennially a registration issued by the Board in accordance with its regulations.” Nev. Rev. Stat. § 453.226(1) (Westlaw, current through the end of the 80th Regular Session (2019)). “Practitioner” means “a physician . . . who holds a license to practice his or her profession in this State and is registered pursuant to [the Uniform Controlled Substances Act].”

Nev. Rev. Stat. § 453.126(1) (Westlaw, current through the end of the 80th Regular Session (2019)). “Dispense” means “to deliver a controlled substance to an ultimate user . . . , including the prescribing . . . for that delivery.” Nev. Rev. Stat. § 453.056(1) (Westlaw, current through the end of the 80th Regular Session (2019)). As already discussed, Registrant’s Nevada medical license is currently revoked. Thus, Registrant is not a “practitioner” under Nevada law and, therefore, he is not eligible to dispense or prescribe a controlled substance in Nevada.

Here, the undisputed evidence in the record is that Registrant is not currently authorized to practice medicine or to prescribe controlled substances in Nevada. Registrant, therefore, is not currently eligible to maintain a DEA registration. Accordingly, I will order that Registrant’s DEA registration be revoked.

Order

Pursuant to 28 CFR 0.100(b) and the authority vested in me by 21 U.S.C. 824(a), I hereby revoke DEA Certificate of Registration No. BH7844500 issued to Isaac J. Hearne, M.D. This Order is effective June 8, 2020.

Uttam Dhillon,

Acting Administrator.

[FR Doc. 2020–09722 Filed 5–6–20; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4410–09–P

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Drug Enforcement Administration

[Docket No. DEA–628]

Bulk Manufacturer of Controlled Substances Application: Purisys, LLC

ACTION: Notice of application.

DATES: Registered bulk manufacturers of the affected basic class(es), and applicants therefore, may file written comments on or objections to the issuance of the proposed registration on or before July 6, 2020.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to: Drug Enforcement Administration, Attention: DEA Federal Register Representative/DPW, 8701 Morrisette Drive, Springfield, Virginia 22152.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with 21 CFR 1301.33(a), this is notice that on January 30, 2020, Purisys, LLC, 1550 Olympic Drive, Athens, Georgia 30601, applied to be registered as a bulk manufacturer of the following basic class(es) of controlled substances:

Controlled substance	Drug code	Schedule
Amphetamine	1100	II
Lisdexamfetamine ..	1205	II
Cathinone	1235	I
Methylphenidate	1724	II
Morphine-N-Oxide ..	9307	I
Normophine	9313	I
Oripavine	9330	II
Thebaine	9333	II
Opium Tincture	9630	II
Oxymorphone	9652	II
Noroxymorphone	9668	II
Alfentanil	9737	II
Sufentanil	9740	II
Carfentanil	9743	II
Tapentadol	9780	II
Fentanyl	9801	II

The company plans to manufacture the above-listed controlled substances to produce active pharmaceutical ingredients (API) for their prescription drug products and manufacture analytical reference standards for distribution to customers. The company also plans to use these substances for lab scale research and development activities.

William T. McDermott,

Assistant Administrator.

[FR Doc. 2020–09706 Filed 5–6–20; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4410–09–P

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Drug Enforcement Administration

[Docket No. DEA–638]

Importer of Controlled Substances Application: Novitium Pharma LLC

ACTION: Notice of application.

DATES: Registered bulk manufacturer of the affected basic class(es), and applicants therefore, may file written comments on or objections to the issuance of the proposed registration on or before June 8, 2020. Such persons may also file a written request for a hearing on the application on or before June 8, 2020.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to: Drug Enforcement Administration, Attention: DEA Federal Register Representative/DPW, 8701 Morrisette Drive, Springfield, Virginia 22152. All requests for a hearing must be sent to: Drug Enforcement Administration, Attn: Administrator, 8701 Morrisette Drive, Springfield, Virginia 22152. All requests for a hearing should also be sent to: (1) Drug Enforcement Administration, Attn: Hearing Clerk/OALJ, 8701 Morrisette Drive, Springfield, Virginia 22152; and (2) Drug Enforcement Administration,