

Commission conducted its hearing by video conference on November 5, 2020. All persons who requested the opportunity were permitted to participate.

The Commission transmitted its determination in this investigation to the President on December 8, 2020. The views of the Commission are contained in USITC Publication 5144 (December 2020), entitled *Large Residential Washers: Extension of Action, Investigation No. TA-201-076 (Extension)*.

By order of the Commission.

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Lisa Barton,

Secretary to the Commission.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 337-TA-1220]

Certain Filament Light-Emitting Diodes and Products Containing Same (II); Commission Decision Not To Review an Initial Determination Granting a Motion To Intervene

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission has determined not to review an initial determination (“ID”) (Order No. 15) of the presiding administrative law judge (“ALJ”) granting a motion to intervene filed by non-party Global Value Lighting LLC (“GVL”).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Houda Morad, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 708-4716. Copies of non-confidential documents filed in connection with this investigation may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket (EDIS) at <https://edis.usitc.gov>. For help accessing EDIS, please email EDIS3Help@usitc.gov. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server at <https://www.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.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 5, 2020, the Commission instituted this investigation under

section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337 (“section 337”), based on a complaint filed by The Regents of the University of California (“Complainant”). See 85 FR 62761-62 (Oct. 5, 2020). The complaint, as supplemented, alleges a violation 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 filament light-emitting diodes and products containing the same by reason of infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 9,240,529; 9,859,464; 10,593,854; 10,644,213; and 10,658,557. See *id.* The notice of investigation names the following respondents: Home Depot Product Authority, LLC; Home Depot U.S.A., Inc.; and The Home Depot, Inc. of Atlanta, Georgia (collectively, “Home Depot”); General Electric Company of Boston, Massachusetts; Consumer Lighting (U.S.) LLC, d/b/a GE Lighting of Cleveland, Ohio; Savant Systems, Inc. of Hyannis, Massachusetts; Feit Electric Company, Inc. of Pico Rivera, California; Satco Products, Inc. of Brentwood, New York; IKEA Supply AG of Pratteln, Switzerland; IKEA U.S. Retail LLC of Conshohocken, Pennsylvania; and IKEA of Sweden AB of Almhult, Sweden. See *id.* The Office of Unfair Import Investigations (“OUII”) is also a party to the investigation. See *id.*

On November 5, 2020, the ALJ issued an ID (Order No. 14) granting non-party Signify North America Corp.’s motion to intervene in this investigation. See Order No. 14 (Nov. 5, 2020), *unreviewed by Comm’n Notice* (Nov. 30, 2020).

On November 4, 2020, GVL filed a motion to intervene in this investigation pursuant to Commission Rule 210.19 (19 CFR 210.19). GVL argued that its motion is timely and that “[i]ntervention is appropriate where, as here, the Complaint seeks to directly exclude the intervenor’s products.” See Mot. at 4-6. No party opposed the motion to intervene except that Complainant argued that GVL should coordinate all aspects of the investigation with the Home Depot respondents. See Complainant’s Resp. at 2 (Nov. 9, 2020). On November 16, 2020, OUII filed a response in support of the motion to intervene. No other responses were received.

On November 16, 2020, the ALJ issued the subject ID (Order No. 15) granting GVL’s motion to intervene. The ID notes that “[n]o party disputes that GVL should be allowed to intervene.” See ID at 1. The ID finds that “GVL may fully participate as a party in the investigation, including with respect to

all claims and defenses at issue in the investigation.” See *id.* The ID also finds that “GVL shall coordinate to the extent possible with [Home Depot] and other respondents.” See *id.* at 1-2.

No petition for review of the subject ID was filed. The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID. GVL is granted intervenor status.

The Commission’s vote for this determination took place on December 8, 2020.

The authority for the Commission’s determination is contained in section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1337), and in part 210 of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR part 210).

By order of the Commission.

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Secretary to the Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

[Agency Docket Number DOL-2020-0007]

Child Labor, Forced Labor, and Forced or Indentured Child Labor in the Production of Goods in Foreign Countries and Efforts by Certain Foreign Countries To Eliminate the Worst Forms of Child Labor, and Business Practices To Reduce the Likelihood of Forced Labor or Child Labor in the Production of Goods

AGENCY: The Bureau of International Labor Affairs, United States Department of Labor.

ACTION: Notice; request for information and invitation to comment.

SUMMARY: This notice is a request for information and/or comment on three reports issued by the Bureau of International Labor Affairs (ILAB) regarding child labor and forced labor in certain foreign countries. Relevant information submitted by the public will be used by the Department of Labor (DOL) in preparing its ongoing reporting as required under Congressional mandates and a Presidential directive. The 2019 Findings on the Worst Forms of Child Labor report (TDA report), published on September 30, 2020, assesses efforts of 131 countries to eliminate the worst forms of child labor in 2019 and reports whether countries made significant, moderate, minimal, or no advancement during that year. It also suggests actions foreign countries can take to eliminate the worst forms of child labor through legislation,

enforcement, coordination, policies, and social programs. The 2020 edition of the List of Goods Produced by Child Labor or Forced Labor (TVPRAList), also published on September 30, 2020, makes available to the public a list of goods from countries that ILAB has reason to believe are produced by child labor or forced labor in violation of international standards. Finally, the List of Products Produced by Forced or Indentured Child Labor (E.O. List), most recently updated on March 25, 2019, provides a list of products, identified by country of origin, that DOL, in consultation and cooperation with the Departments of State (DOS) and Homeland Security (DHS), has a reasonable basis to believe might have been mined, produced, or manufactured with forced or indentured child labor. Relevant information submitted by the public will be used by DOL in preparing the next edition of the TDA report, to be published in 2021; the next edition of the TVPRAList, to be published in 2022; and for possible updates to the E.O. List, as needed.

DATES: Submitters of information are requested to provide their submission to DOL's Office of Child Labor, Forced Labor, and Human Trafficking (OCFT) at the email or physical address below by 5:00 p.m. EST, January 18, 2020.

ADDRESSES:

To Submit Information: Information should be submitted directly to OCFT, Bureau of International Labor Affairs, U.S. Department of Labor. Comments, identified as Docket No. DOL-2020-0007, may be submitted by any of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>.

The portal includes instructions for submitting comments. Parties submitting responses electronically are encouraged not to submit paper copies.

Facsimile (fax): OCFT at 202-693-4830.

Mail, Express Delivery, Hand Delivery, and Messenger Service (1 copy): Austin Pedersen and Chanda Uluca at U.S. Department of Labor, OCFT, Bureau of International Labor Affairs, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Room S-5315, Washington, DC 20210.

Email: Email submissions should be addressed to Matthew Fraterman (Fraterman.Matthew@dol.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Matthew Fraterman at 202-693-4833. Please see contact information above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

This notice is also a request for information and/or comment on Comply Chain: Business Tools for Labor Compliance in Global Supply Chains (Comply Chain). ILAB is seeking information on current practices of firms, business associations, and other private sector groups to reduce the likelihood of child labor and forced labor in the production of goods. This information and/or comment is sought to fulfill ILAB's mandate under the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2005 (TVPRAList) to work with persons who are involved in the production of goods made with forced labor or child labor. Comply Chain seeks to address this mandate through the creation of a standard set of practices that will reduce the likelihood that such persons will produce goods using child labor. Comply Chain also achieves a much broader purpose by actively supporting the efforts of companies that seek to address these issues within their own supply chains. Relevant information and/or comments submitted to ILAB will be used to improve and update Comply Chain to better meet the evolving mandates of the TVPRAList and help companies and industry groups seeking to develop robust social compliance systems for their global production.

I. The Trade and Development Act of 2000 (TDA), Public Law 106-200 (2000), established eligibility criteria for receipt of trade benefits under the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP). The TDA amended the GSP reporting requirements of Section 504 of the Trade Act of 1974, 19 U.S.C. 2464, to require that the President's annual report on the status of internationally recognized worker rights include "findings by the Secretary of Labor with respect to the beneficiary country's implementation of its international commitments to eliminate the worst forms of child labor."

The TDA Conference Report clarifies this mandate, indicating that the President should consider the following when considering whether a country is complying with its obligations to eliminate the worst forms of child labor: (1) whether the country has adequate laws and regulations proscribing the worst forms of child labor; (2) whether the country has adequate laws and regulations for the implementation and enforcement of such measures; (3) whether the country has established

formal institutional mechanisms to investigate and address complaints relating to allegations of the worst forms of child labor; (4) whether social programs exist in the country to prevent the engagement of children in the worst forms of child labor, and to assist with the removal of children engaged in the worst forms of child labor; (5) whether the country has a comprehensive policy for the elimination of the worst forms of child labor; and (6) whether the country is making *continual progress* toward eliminating the worst forms of child labor." DOL fulfills this reporting mandate through annual publication of the U.S. Department of Labor's Findings on the Worst Forms of Child Labor with respect to countries eligible for GSP. To access the 2019 TDA report please visit <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/ilab/resources/reports/child-labor/findings/>.

II. Section 105(b) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2005 ("TVPRAList of 2005"), Public Law 109-164 (2006), 22 U.S.C. 7112 (b), as amended by Section 133 of the Frederick Douglass Trafficking Victims Prevention and Protection Reauthorization Act of 2018, Public Law 115-425, directs the Secretary of Labor, to "develop and make available to the public a list of goods from countries that ILAB has reason to believe are produced by forced labor or child labor in violation of international standards, including, to the extent practicable, goods that are produced with inputs that are produced with forced labor or child labor" (TVPRAList).

Pursuant to this mandate, DOL published in the **Federal Register** a set of procedural guidelines that ILAB follows in developing the TVPRAList (72 FR 73374). The guidelines set forth the criteria by which information is evaluated, established procedures for public submission of information to be considered by ILAB, and identified the process ILAB follows in maintaining and updating the List after its initial publication.

ILAB published its first TVPRAList on September 30, 2009, and issued updates in 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2016, 2018, and 2020. (In 2014, ILAB began publishing the TVPRAList every other year, pursuant to changes in the law (See 22 U.S.C. 7112(b)). The next TVPRAList will be published in 2022. For a copy of previous editions of the TVPRAList and other materials relating to the TVPRAList,

see ILAB's TVPRA web page at <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/ilab/reports/child-labor/list-of-goods>.

III. Executive Order No. 13126 (E.O. 13126) declared that it was "the policy of the United States Government. . . that the executive agencies shall take appropriate actions to enforce the laws prohibiting the manufacture or importation of goods, wares, articles, and merchandise mined, produced, or manufactured wholly or in part by forced or indentured child labor." Pursuant to E.O. 13126, and following public notice and comment, DOL published in the January 18, 2001, **Federal Register**, a final list of products ("E.O. List"), identified by country of origin, that the Department, in consultation and cooperation with the Departments of State (DOS) and Treasury [relevant responsibilities are now within the Department of Homeland Security (DHS)], had a reasonable basis to believe might have been mined, produced, or manufactured with forced or indentured child labor (66 FR 5353). In addition to the List, the Department also published on January 18, 2001, "Procedural Guidelines for Maintenance of the List of Products Requiring Federal Contractor Certification as to Forced or Indentured Child Labor," which provides for maintaining, reviewing, and, as appropriate, revising the E.O. List (66 FR 5351).

Pursuant to Sections D through G of the Procedural Guidelines, the E.O. List may be updated through consideration of submissions by individuals or through OCFT's own initiative. ILAB has officially revised the E.O. List seven times, most recently on March 25, 2019, each time after public notice and comment as well as consultation with DOS and DHS. The current E.O. List, Procedural Guidelines, and related information can be accessed at <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/ilab/reports/child-labor/list-of-products>.

Information Requested and Invitation to Comment: Interested parties are invited to comment and provide information regarding these reports. DOL requests comments on or information relevant to updating the findings and suggested government actions for countries reviewed in the TDA report, assessing each country's individual advancement toward eliminating the worst forms of child labor during the current reporting period compared to previous years, and maintaining and updating the TVPRA and E.O. Lists. Materials submitted should be confined to the specific topics of the TDA report, the TVPRA List, and the E.O. List. DOL will generally

consider sources with dates up to five years old (*i.e.*, data not older than January 1, 2016). DOL appreciates the extent to which submissions clearly indicate the time period to which they apply. In the interest of transparency in our reporting, classified information will not be accepted. Where applicable, information submitted should indicate its source or sources and copies of the source material should be provided. If primary sources are utilized, such as research studies, interviews, direct observations, or other sources of quantitative or qualitative data, details on the research or data-gathering methodology should be provided. Please see the TDA report, TVPRA List, and the E.O. List for a complete explanation of relevant terms, definitions, and reporting guidelines employed by DOL. Per our standard procedures, submissions will be published on the ILAB web page at <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/ilab/public-submissions-child-labor-forced-labor-reporting>.

IV. Section 105(b)(2)(D) of The Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act (TVPRA) of 2005 mandates that ILAB "work with persons who are involved in the production of goods on [ILAB's List of Goods Produced by Child Labor or Forced Labor] to create a standard set of practices that will reduce the likelihood that such persons will produce goods using [forced and child labor]."

Many firms have policies, activities, and/or systems in place to monitor labor rights and remediate violations in their supply chains. Such policies, activities, and systems vary depending on location, industry, and many other factors. ILAB seeks to identify practices that have been effective in specific contexts, analyze their replicability, and disseminate those that have the potential to be effective on a broader scale through Comply Chain.

Information Requested and Invitation to Comment: In addition to general comments on the existing publication of Comply Chain, ILAB is seeking information on current practices of firms, business associations, and other private sector groups to reduce the likelihood of child labor and forced labor in the production of goods. ILAB welcomes any and all input. Examples of materials include (1) codes of conduct; (2) sets of standards used for implementation of codes in specific industries, locations, or among particular labor populations; (3) auditing/monitoring systems or components of such systems, as well as related systems for enforcement of labor standards across a supply chain; (4) strategies for monitoring sub-tier

suppliers, informal workplaces, home work, and other challenging environments; (5) training modules and other mechanisms for communicating expectations to stakeholders which incorporate worker input; (6) traceability models or experiences; (7) remediation strategies for children and/or adults found in conditions of forced or child labor; (8) reporting-related practices and practices related to independent review; (9) projects at the grassroots level which address underlying issues or root causes of child labor or forced labor; and (10) any other relevant practices.

In addition, ILAB is seeking information on current practices of governments to collaborate with private sector actors through public-private partnerships to reduce the likelihood of child labor and forced labor in the production of goods. Submissions may include policy documents, reports, statistics, and case studies, among others. In addition, ILAB welcomes submissions of reports, analyses, guidance, toolkits, and other documents in which such practices have been compiled or analyzed by third-party groups. Information should be submitted to the addresses and within the time period set forth above. DOL seeks information that can be used to inform the development of tools and resources to be disseminated publicly on the DOL website and/or in other publications. However, in disseminating information, DOL will conceal, to the extent permitted by law, the identity of the submitter and/or the individual or company using the practice in question, upon request. Internal, confidential documents that cannot be shared with the public will not be used. Submissions containing confidential or personal information may be redacted by DOL before being made available to the public, in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. DOL does not commit to responding directly to submissions or returning submissions to the submitters, but DOL may communicate with the submitter regarding any matters relating to the submission.

This notice is a general solicitation of comments from the public. (Authority: 22 U.S.C. 7112(b)(2)(C) & (D); 19 U.S.C. 2464; and Executive Order 13126.)

Signed at Washington, DC, this seventh day of December, 2020.

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