

Prefecture, Japan; Toyota Motor North America, Inc. of New York, New York; Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. of Torrance, California; Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing North America, Inc. of Erlanger, Kentucky; Toyota Motor Manufacturing, Indiana, Inc. of Princeton, Indiana; and Toyota Motor Manufacturing, Kentucky, Inc. of Georgetown, Kentucky (collectively, "Toyota"). The Office of Unfair Import Investigations ("OUII") was also named a party in this investigation.

The Commission previously terminated the investigation in part with respect to respondents BMW, DENSO, Mitsuba, and Nidec, as well as the '200, '944, and '952 patents. Notice (Apr. 18, 2018) (determining not to review Order No. 22 (Mar. 16, 2018)); Notice (May 4, 2018) (determining not to review Order No. 29 (Apr. 10, 2018)); Notice (May 4, 2018) (determining not to review Order No. 31 (Apr. 16, 2018)); Notice (May 11, 2018) (determining not to review Order No. 33 (Apr. 23, 2018)); Notice (June 19, 2018) (determining not to review Order No. 39 (May 21, 2018)); Notice (Aug. 15, 2018) (determining not to review Order No. 46 (July 19, 2018)); Notice (Aug. 15, 2018) (determining not to review Order No. 47 (July 24, 2018)); Notice (Aug. 27, 2018) (determining not to review Order No. 48 (Aug. 13, 2018)). Thus, the remaining respondents in this investigation are Aisin, Honda, and Toyota (collectively, "Respondents"), and the remaining asserted patents are the '509 and '348 patents (collectively, the "asserted patents").

On November 13, 2018, the presiding administrative law judge ("ALJ") issued a final initial determination ("ID"), finding no violation of section 337 with respect to the '509 and '348 patents. Specifically, the ID finds that the accused products infringe claims 14 and 15 of the '509 patent, but do not infringe claims 24–27 of the '348 patent. With respect to both patents, the ID finds that IV has not satisfied the domestic industry requirement of section 337(a)(2) & (a)(3), nor have Respondents established that any asserted claim is invalid for obviousness.

On November 27, 2018, the ALJ issued a Recommended Determination ("RD") on remedy, the public interest, and bonding, recommending, should the Commission find a violation: (1) The issuance of a limited exclusion order directed to certain infringing thermoplastic-encapsulated electric motors, components thereof, and products and vehicles containing same; (2) the issuance of cease and desist orders against Aisin and Toyota; and (3) imposition of a bond of zero percent for

infringing products that are imported during the period of Presidential review.

Also, on November 27, 2018, IV filed a petition for review, and Respondents filed a contingent petition for review, each challenging various findings in the final ID. On December 6, 2018, IV, Respondents, and OUII filed responses to the petitions for review.

On December 14, 2018, Respondents filed a notice that, on December 12, 2018, the Patent Trial and Appeal Board of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office issued four final written decisions finding that every claim asserted against Respondents in this investigation is unpatentable on invalidity grounds.

On January 7, 2019, the Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers and the Association of Global Automakers filed a joint public-interest submission.

On February 19, 2019, the Commission determined to review the ID in its entirety, and solicited further briefing from the parties on certain issues, and briefing from the parties and the public on remedy, the public interest and bonding. On March 1, 2019, the parties filed opening briefs, and on March 8, 2019, the parties filed reply briefs.

Having examined the record of this investigation, including the final ID and the parties' submissions, the Commission has determined that IV has failed to satisfy the domestic industry requirement of section 337(a)(2) & (a)(3), 19 U.S.C. 1337(a)(2) & (a)(3). Accordingly, the Commission has determined to terminate the investigation with a finding of no violation of section 337. The Commission, therefore, does not reach and takes no position on the other issues raised in the parties' petitions for Commission review.

The reasons for the Commission's determination are set forth more fully in the Commission's opinion.

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.

Issued: July 19, 2019.

**William Bishop,**

*Supervisory Hearings and Information Officer.*

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## **INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION**

**[USITC SE–19–029]**

### **Sunshine Act Meetings**

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:** United States International Trade Commission.

**TIME AND DATE:** August 2, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.

**PLACE:** Room 101, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436. Telephone: (202) 205–2000.

**STATUS:** Open to the public.

#### **MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:**

1. *Agendas for future meetings:* None.
2. Minutes.
3. Ratification List.
4. Vote on Inv. Nos. 701–TA–609 and 731–TA–1421 (Final) (Steel Trailer Wheels from China). The Commission is currently scheduled to complete and file its determinations and views of the Commission by August 22, 2019.
5. Vote on Inv. Nos. 701–TA–450 and 731–TA–1122 (Second Review) (Laminated Woven Sacks from China). The Commission is currently scheduled to complete and file its determinations and views of the Commission by August 20, 2019.
6. Vote on Inv. No. 731–TA–1123 (Second Review) (Steel Wire Garment Hangers from China). The Commission is currently scheduled to complete and file its determination and views of the Commission by August 22, 2019.
7. Vote on Inv. No. 731–TA–749 (Fourth Review) (Persulfates from China). The Commission is currently scheduled to complete and file its determination and views of the Commission by August 15, 2019.
8. *Outstanding action jackets:* None.

The Commission is holding the meeting under the Government in the Sunshine Act, 5 U.S.C. 552(b). In accordance with Commission policy, subject matter listed above, not disposed of at the scheduled meeting, may be carried over to the agenda of the following meeting.

By order of the Commission.

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