

INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 337-TA-1177]

Certain Semiconductor Devices, Products Containing the Same, and Components Thereof (II); Commission Determination Not To Review an Initial Determination Terminating the Investigation in its Entirety Based on a Settlement Agreement; Termination of the Investigation

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. 5) of the presiding administrative law judge (“ALJ”) terminating the investigation as to all respondents, Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co., Ltd. of Hsinchu, Taiwan; TSMC North America and TSMC Technology, Inc. of San Jose, California (collectively, “TSMC”); Broadcom Inc., Broadcom Corporation, and Cisco Systems, Inc., all of San Jose, California; NVIDIA Corporation and Arista Networks, Inc., both of Santa Clara, California; Apple Inc. of Cupertino, California; ASUSTeK Computer Inc. of Taipei, Taiwan; and Lenovo Group Ltd. of Beijing, China (collectively, “Respondents”), based on a settlement agreement. The investigation is terminated.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Clint Gerdine, Esq., Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 708-2310. 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 <https://www.usitc.gov>. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket (EDIS) at <https://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.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission instituted this investigation on October 2, 2019, based on a

complaint filed on behalf of Globalfoundries U.S. Inc. (“Globalfoundries”) of Santa Clara, California. 84 FR 52535-36 (Oct. 2, 2019). The complaint alleges violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, based upon the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain semiconductor devices, products containing the same, and components thereof by reason of infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 8,823,178; 9,105,643; 7,378,357; and 9,082,877. The Commission’s notice of investigation names all Respondents. The Office of Unfair Import Investigations (“OUII”) is participating in the investigation.

On November 12, 2019, Globalfoundries and Respondents jointly moved to terminate the investigation based on a settlement agreement between Globalfoundries and TSMC that resolves all issues as to all Respondents in the investigation. On November 18, 2019, OUII filed a response in support of the motion.

On November 25, 2019, the ALJ issued the subject ID (Order No. 5), granting the joint motion to terminate the investigation in its entirety based on the settlement agreement. The ID finds that the motion for termination satisfied Commission Rules 210.21(a)(2) and (b)(1) (19 CFR 210.21(a)(2), (b)(1)) and that termination of the investigation is not contrary to the public interest. No party petitioned for review.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID. The investigation is terminated.

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: December 20, 2019.

Lisa Barton,

Secretary to the Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—CHEDE-8

Notice is hereby given that, on December 4, 2019, pursuant to Section

6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* (“the Act”), CHEDE-8 (“CHEDE-8”) has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing (1) the identities of the parties to the venture and (2) the nature and objectives of the venture. The notifications were filed for the purpose of invoking the Act’s provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances.

Pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act, the identities of the parties to the venture are: Cummins, Columbus, IN; Eaton, Marshall, MI; Garret Advancing Motion, Torrance, CA; Guangxi Yuchai Machinery, Guangxi, PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA; Hyundai Motor Group, Gyeonggi-do, REPUBLIC OF KOREA; Isuzu, Tokyo, JAPAN; Lubrizol Corporation, Wickliffe, OH; Superturbo Technologies, Loveland, CO; Volvo Powertrain North America, Hagerstown, MD; and Weichai Power Co. Ltd., Weifang, PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

The general area of CHEDE-8’s planned activity is to develop new and novel technologies that provide clean and efficient engine systems; to research diesel powertrain systems for the heavy duty segment that can achieve the newly proposed California Air Resources Board (CARB) Low NO_x standard of 0.02 g/bhp-hr with 2027 Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions; to demonstrate a clean diesel powertrain system capable of meeting the potential Euro 7 NO_x standard and 2030 CO₂ limits for the light duty segment; and to focus on advanced combustion and engine design concepts that have the potential to disrupt diesel engines in the future.

Suzanne Morris,

Chief, Premerger and Division Statistics Unit, Antitrust Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Advanced Media Workflow Association, Inc.

Notice is hereby given that, on December 12, 2019, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* (“the Act”),

Advanced Media Workflow Association, Inc. 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, Rhode & Schwartz GmbH & Co. KG., Munich, GERMANY, has been added as a party to this venture.

Also, Telstra, Melbourne, AUSTRALIA; Suitcase TV, Ipswich, UNITED KINGDOM; and Philip Soares (individual member), Bellevue, WA, 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 Advanced Media Workflow Association, Inc. intends to file additional written notifications disclosing all changes in membership.

On March 28, 2000, Advanced Media Workflow Association, Inc. filed its original notification pursuant to Section 6(a) of the Act. The Department of Justice published a notice in the **Federal Register** pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on June 29, 2000 (65 FR 40127).

The last notification was filed with the Department on September 13, 2019. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on October 17, 2019 (84 FR 55585).

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Chief, Premerger and Division Statistics Unit,
Antitrust Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Federal Bureau of Investigation

[Docket No. FBI-155]

**Federal Bureau of Investigation;
Records Management Division;
National Name Check Program
Section; Revised User Fee**

AGENCY: Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Justice.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice establishes a revised user fee for federal agencies requesting name-based, non-criminal justice background checks of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) Central Records System through the National Name Check Program (NNCP). The total

resource costs associated with providing these name check services have been calculated to ensure full reimbursement to the FBI. The FBI is also authorized to charge an additional amount to defray expenses required to update and improve the NNCP's technological infrastructure, which supports the automation of processes involving name-based background checks. This notice explains the methodology used to calculate revised fees and also provides the new fee schedule. The NNCP is replacing its current multiple fee structure with a single user fee.

DATES: This fee schedule is effective February 1, 2020.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Antony A. Jung, Section Chief, National Name Check Program Section, Records Management Division, FBI, 170 Marcel Drive, Winchester, Virginia 22602.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

On June 7, 2010, the FBI published the Final Rule (75 FR 24796) setting forth the FBI Director's authority to establish and collect fees for providing name-based background checks conducted by the NNCP of the Records Management Division. The Final Rule explains the methodology used to calculate the fees and provides that future fee adjustments will be made by notice published in the **Federal Register**. In accordance with the requirements of 28 CFR 20.31(e)(3), the FBI is required to periodically review the amount it collects for the NNCP in order to determine the current cost of processing name checks for non-criminal justice purposes.

II. Revised Fee

In October of 2018, the FBI retained a contractor to conduct an independent user fee study for the NNCP. The NNCP currently charges different fees, depending on whether the request is submitted manually or electronically or if expedited processing is required. The fee charged for electronic submissions also varies depending on the level of analysis that the NNCP must perform. The current fee structure is as follows:

NNCP'S CURRENT USER FEE SCHEDULE

Service	Current fee
Electronic Submission:	
Batch Process Only	\$2.50
Batch + File Analysis	42.00
Manual Submission	66.50
Expedited Submission	66.50

As a result of the fee study, the contractor recommended that the FBI combine the current fee categories, which have been in effect since 2010, into a single fee. This recommendation was based on three factors:

- **Improvement in information technology capabilities:** The NNCP's new web interface enables all customers to submit name checks electronically with options to adjust their priority. The technology advancements have resulted in the elimination of the Manual submission type and have so drastically reduced the number of expedited submissions that they no longer warrant their own fee categories.

- **Lack of customer choice:** Under the existing fee schedule, NNCP customers do not choose between an Electronic or File Analysis level of service and the associated fee. Rather, NNCP performs an electronic name-based background check on all requests. If the automated search algorithm identifies the presence of a record, then NNCP's analysts conduct file analysis and the program charges an additional fee. While every name check request begins with an Electronic Batch level of service, approximately 40% also require an additional File Analysis level of service, which comes with the additional fee. Neither the customer nor NNCP know which level of service will be required until after the customer has submitted the name check request and NNCP has completed its services. This lack of certainty has rendered it challenging for customers to budget for name check services. The new, single fee will provide customers with more certainty as to how much they will owe based on their estimated volume of name check requests each year.

- **Less administrative burden:** A single fee reduces the administrative burden associated with the billing and collections of multiple fee categories and simplifies the budgeting process.

Information Used To Calculate the Revised Fee

Using Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 cost information, the FBI conducted a fee study to determine its cost for conducting name-based background checks. Once that study was complete, the FBI conducted further analysis to account for anticipated programmatic changes and staffing levels moving forward in FY 2020, as well as forecasted production volumes to determine future automation and enhancement costs. The FBI used these inputs to project total costs for name-based, non-criminal justice name checks for FY 2020. The single fee structure simplifies this calculation by dividing