

to the Commission, as provided in sections 201.11 and 207.10 of the Commission's rules, not later than seven days after publication of this notice in the Federal Register. The Secretary will prepare a public service list containing the names and addresses of all persons, or their representatives, who are parties to these investigations upon the expiration of the period for filing entries of appearance.

Limited Disclosure of Business Proprietary Information (BPI) Under an Administrative Protective Order (APO) and BPI Service List

Pursuant to section 207.7(a) of the Commission's rules, the Secretary will make BPI gathered in these preliminary investigations available to authorized applicants under the APO issued in the investigations, provided that the application is made not later than seven days after the publication of this notice in the Federal Register. A separate service list will be maintained by the Secretary for those parties authorized to receive BPI under the APO.

Conference

The Commission's Director of Operations has scheduled a conference in connection with these investigations for 9:30 a.m. on February 27, 1996, at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC. Parties wishing to participate in the conference should contact Larry Reavis (202-205-3185) not later than the day preceding the conference to arrange for their appearance. Parties in support of the imposition of antidumping duties in these investigations and parties in opposition to the imposition of such duties will each be collectively allocated one hour within which to make an oral presentation at the conference. A nonparty who has testimony that may aid the Commission's deliberations may request permission to present a short statement at the conference.

Written submissions

As provided in sections 201.8 and 207.15 of the Commission's rules, any person may submit to the Commission on or before March 1, 1996, a written brief containing information and arguments pertinent to the subject matter of the investigations. Parties may file written testimony in connection with their presentation at the conference no later than three days before the conference. If briefs or written testimony contain BPI, they must conform with the requirements of

sections 201.6, 207.3, and 207.7 of the Commission's rules.

In accordance with sections 201.16(c) and 207.3 of the rules, each document filed by a party to the investigations must be served on all other parties to the investigations (as identified by either the public or BPI service list), and a certificate of service must be timely filed. The Secretary will not accept a document for filing without a certificate of service.

Authority: These investigations are being conducted under authority of title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended by the URAA; this notice is published pursuant to section 207.12 of the Commission's rules.

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By order of the Commission.

Donna R. Koehnke,

Secretary.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation 332-366]

Country of Origin Marking: Review of Laws, Regulations, and Practices

AGENCY: International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Institution of investigation and scheduling of public hearing.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 5, 1996.

SUMMARY: Following receipt on January 11, 1996, of a request from the Committee on Ways and Means, U.S. House of Representatives, the Commission instituted Investigation No. 332-366, Country of Origin Marking: Review of Laws, Regulations, and Practices, under section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1332(g)). As requested by the Committee, the Commission will provide a report that will include the following:

- (1) A legislative and administrative history of U.S. marking rules, including a comparison of the concepts and approaches for determining country of origin for foreign and domestic goods;
- (2) An analysis of the administrative processes in the United States for determining origin and appealing decisions on marking issues; and
- (3) An evaluation of the problems which the country of origin marking rules create for industry, and the benefits of these rules to consumers, including the costs to government and industry of enforcement and compliance.

As requested by the Committee, the Commission in its investigation will

focus on the industries producing electronics, steel, pharmaceuticals, hand tools, and frozen vegetables; other industries where information is available will be studied as well. Staff will contact U.S. producers and consumer groups to identify those that have major concerns or interests regarding country of origin marking requirements. Committee staff has indicated that this should include problems, as identified by industry and other sources in the course of the investigation, with foreign country of origin marking requirements. The Commission expects to submit its report of the investigation to the Committee by July 11, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

General information on the investigation may be obtained from Dennis Fravel, Office of Industries (202-205-3404) or Mark Paulson, Office of Industries (202-205-3429); and legal aspects of section 332 investigations, from William Gearhart, Office of the General Counsel (202-205-3091). The media should contact Margaret O'Laughlin, Office of Public Affairs (202-205-1819). Hearing impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the TDD terminal on (202-205-1810).

BACKGROUND: In its letter, the Committee noted that it had held hearings in July 1995, on the issues of rules of origin and country of origin markings for both foreign and domestic goods. The Committee noted that views expressed at the hearings ranged widely, and included requests to modify or eliminate country of origin marking requirements, and also to harmonize rules for domestic and imported goods.

This investigation will focus on country of origin markings, including certain rule of origin issues that directly effect country of origin marking. International rules of origin issues are currently being examined in the Commission's Investigation No. 332-360, *International Harmonization of Customs Rules of Origin*, instituted in April 1995 at the request of the U.S. Trade Representative. The Commission's proposed rules and analysis pertaining to harmonized rules of origin will be published at various intervals in the Federal Register.

PUBLIC HEARING: A public hearing in connection with the investigation will be held at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC, beginning at 9:30 a.m. on April 10, 1996. The Commission requests that testimony focus on the issues noted in the SUMMARY section above. All persons shall have the right

to appear, by counsel or in person, to present information and to be heard. Requests to appear at the public hearing should be filed with the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436, no later than 5:15 p.m., March 20, 1996. Any prehearing briefs (original and 14 copies) should be filed not later than 5:15 p.m., March 27, 1996; the deadline for filing post-hearing briefs or statements is 5:15 p.m., April 25, 1996. In the event that, as of the close of business on March 27, 1996, no witnesses are scheduled to appear at the hearing, the hearing will be canceled. Any person interested in attending the hearing as an observer or non-participant may call the Secretary to the Commission (202-205-1816) after March 27, 1996, to determine whether the hearing will be held.

WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS: In lieu of or in addition to participating in the hearing, interested parties are invited to submit written statements concerning the matters to be addressed by the Commission in its report on this investigation. The Commission requests that written submissions focus on the issues noted in the SUMMARY section above. Commercial or financial information that a submitter desires the Commission to treat as confidential must be submitted on separate sheets of paper, each clearly marked "Confidential Business Information" at the top. All submissions requesting confidential treatment must conform with the requirements of section 201.6 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 C.F.R. 201.6). All written submissions, except for confidential business information, will be made available in the Office of the Secretary of the Commission for inspection by interested parties. To be assured of consideration by the Commission, written statements relating to the Commission's report should be submitted to the Commission at the earliest practical date and should be received no later than the close of business on April 25, 1996. All submissions should be addressed to the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436. 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.

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Secretary.
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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

Notice of Extension of the Terms of Certain Section 337 Exclusion Orders in Conformity With Section 532(a) of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act

AGENCY: International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the terms of patent-based exclusion orders issued in the investigations listed below have been extended in conformity with the provisions of section 532(a) of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (URAA), Pub. L. No. 103-465, 108 Stat. 4809, 4983-4985 (1994) (codified at 35 U.S.C. §§ 154(a)(2) and 154(c)(1)).

Investigation	U.S. patent No.	Expiration date
337-TA-59 ..	4,113,147	June 6, 1997.
337-TA-114	4,131,869	June 21, 1996.
337-TA-140	4,136,359	April 11, 1997.
337-TA-161	4,109,343	March 10, 1996.
337-TA-170	4,356,600	August 25, 2000.
337-TA-170	4,394,791	May 26, 2001.
337-TA-174	4,174,100	March 27, 1998.
337-TA-174	4,436,126	September 17, 2001.
337-TA-228	4,494,028	September 30, 2002.
337-TA-240	4,392,476	December 23, 2000.
337-TA-254	4,577,263	June 6, 2004.
337-TA-276	4,223,394	February 13, 1999.
337-TA-276	4,519,050	June 17, 2002.
337-TA-276	4,103,189	October 1, 1996.
337-TA-276	4,685,084	June 7, 2005.
337-TA-276	4,392,476	December 23, 2000.
337-TA-287	4,376,966	April 7, 2000.
337-TA-308	4,653,455	June 19, 2005.
337-TA-314	4,558,263	December 6, 2003.
337-TA-314	4,709,958	September 22, 2006.
337-TA-319	4,177,931	October 4, 1998.
337-TA-319	4,676,390	July 22, 2006.

Investigation	U.S. patent No.	Expiration date
337-TA-319	4,765,505	June 22, 2006.
337-TA-320	4,559,872	April 30, 2004.
337-TA-324	4,740,213	October 22, 2006.
337-TA-333	4,805,505	March 2, 2008.
337-TA-337	4,446,436	May 18, 2001.
337-TA-344	4,336,652	August 1, 2000.
337-TA-365	4,950,107	October 12, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark D. Kelly, Esq., Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, telephone 202-205-3106.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Patent-based exclusion orders in Commission investigations instituted under section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1337, *et. seq.*) remain in force until the expiration dates of the underlying United States patents. Prior to the enactment of the URAA, the term of a United States utility patent was 17 years, measured from the date the patent was issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Section 532(a) of the URAA (35 U.S.C. 154(a)(2) and (c)(1)) provides that all utility patents in force on, or resulting from applications filed before, June 8, 1995, will have a term that is the greater of 17 years from the date of issue or 20 years from the date the application for patent was first filed. Accordingly, the terms of the exclusion orders issued in connection with the above listed investigations have been extended to the dates listed above in conformity with section 532(a) of the URAA. For further information, see *Certain Microsphere Adhesives Process for Making Same, and Products Containing Same, Including Self-Stick Repositionable Notes*, USITC Inv. No. 337-TA-366, Commission Opinion (Public Version) at 24 (December 15, 1995). Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on the matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-205-1810.

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Secretary.
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