UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

CERTAIN SEMICONDUCTOR CHIPS WITH MINIMIZED CHIP PACKAGE SIZE AND PRODUCTS CONTAINING SAME **Investigation No. 337-TA-605**

NOTICE OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW AN INITIAL DETERMINATION GRANTING A JOINT MOTION OF COMPLAINANT TESSERA, INC. AND RESPONDENTS SPANSION, INC. AND SPANSION LLC REQUESTING AN INITIAL DETERMINATION REGARDING BOND FORFEITURE AND TERMINATION OF SPANSION

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 the presiding administrative law judge's ("ALJ") initial determination ("ID") (Order No. 71) granting a joint motion of complainant Tessera, Inc. ("Tessera") and respondents Spansion, Inc. and Spansion LLC (collectively "Spansion") requesting an initial determination regarding bond forfeiture and termination of Spansion.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Megan M. Valentine, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 708-2301. 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, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server at http://www.usitc.gov. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at http://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 May 21, 2007, based on a complaint filed by Tessera of San Jose, California against Spansion of Sunnyvale, California (collectively "Spansion"); Qualcomm Incorporated of San Diego, California ("Qualcomm"); ATI Technologies of Thornhill, Ontario, Canada ("ATI"); Motorola, Inc. of Schaumburg, Illinois ("Motorola"); STMicroelectronics N.V. of Geneva, Switzerland ("ST-NV"); and Freescale Semiconductor, Inc. of Austin, Texas ("Freescale"). 72 Fed. Reg. 28522 (May 21, 2007). The complaint alleges violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. § 1337, in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation,

and the sale within the United States after importation of certain semiconductor chips with minimized chip package size or products containing same by reason of infringement of one or more claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 5,852,326, and 6,433,419.

On May 20, 2009, the Commission issued its final disposition of the investigation, finding a violation of section 337. 74 *Fed. Reg.* 25579-81 (May 28, 2009). The Commission also issued a limited exclusion order ("LEO") and cease and desist orders against all respondents. On August 18, 2009, the Commission granted a joint petition by Tessera and Motorola to rescind in whole the cease and desist order directed to Motorola based upon a license agreement entered into between the two parties.

On October 16, 2009, Tessera filed a motion for forfeiture of Respondents bonds, limited discovery and evidentiary hearing pursuant to Commission Rule 210.50(d) (19 C.F.R. § 210.50(d)). On December 20, 2009, the ALJ issued Order No. 65 denying the motion as premature because an appeal of the Commission's final determination was then pending before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. The Federal Circuit ultimately upheld the Commission's determination (*see* Spansion, Inc. v. ITC, 629 F.3d 1331 (Fed. Cir. 2010), *reh'g and reh'g en banc denied*, March 29, 2011), and on November 28, 2011, the Supreme Court denied Respondents' petitions for a writ of certiorari (*see* Supreme Court Nos. 11-127, 128).

On January 4, 2012, Tessera filed a motion to re-open the investigation to institute bond forfeiture proceedings, seeking forfeiture of the bond amounts required to have been posted by respondents Qualcomm, Freescale, Spansion, ATI, and ST-NV. On April 2, 2012, the ALJ issued an ID regarding bond forfeiture as to Qualcomm and terminating Qualcomm from any further proceedings. The Commission determined not to review this ID. *See* Order No. 70 (Apr. 2, 2012); Notice of Commission Determination Not To Review (Apr. 25, 2012). On March 6, 2012, Tessera and Spansion filed a joint motion requesting an ID regarding bond forfeiture with respect to Spansion of bond monies posted by Spansion with U.S. Customs and Border Protection ("CBP") under the LEO during the period of Presidential review. The motion indicated that the two parties have stipulated that: (1) Tessera may recover all bond monies posted by Qualcomm with CBP pursuant to the LEO during the period of Presidential review and (2) no additional discovery will be required of Spansion in connection with Tessera's January 4, 2012, bond forfeiture motion. The motion further indicated that the remaining respondents do not oppose the motion and that the Commission investigative attorney takes no position.

On April 24, 2012, the ALJ issued the subject ID, granting the joint motion pursuant to sections 210.21(a)(2) and 210.50(d)(3) and (4) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 C.F.R. §§ 210.21(a)(2), 210.50(d)(3) and (4)). No petitions for review of this ID were filed.

The Commission has determined not to review the ID.

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 section 210.42 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 C.F.R. § 210.42).

By order of the Commission.

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