

**UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C.**

In the Matter of

**CERTAIN HIGH-PERFORMANCE
GRAVITY-FED WATER FILTERS AND
PRODUCTS CONTAINING THE SAME**

Inv. No. 337-TA-1294

NOTICE OF INSTITUTION OF INVESTIGATION

Institution of Investigation Pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1337

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a complaint was filed with the U.S. International Trade Commission on December 27, 2021, under section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, on behalf of Brita LP of Switzerland. Letters supplementing the complaint were filed on January 10, 2022. The complaint alleges violations 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 high-performance gravity-fed water filters and products containing the same by reason of infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent No. 8,167,141 (“the ’141 patent”). The complaint further alleges that an industry in the United States exists as required by the applicable Federal Statute.

The complainant requests that the Commission institute an investigation and, after the investigation, issue a limited exclusion order and cease and desist orders.

ADDRESSES: The complaint, except for any confidential information contained therein, may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket (EDIS) at <https://edis.usitc.gov>. For help accessing EDIS, please email EDIS3Help@usitc.gov. Hearing impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission’s TDD terminal on (202) 205-1810. 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. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server at <https://www.usitc.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jessica Mullan, Office of Docket Services, U.S. International Trade Commission, telephone (202) 205-1802.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

AUTHORITY: The authority for institution of this investigation is contained in section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, and in section 210.10 of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure, 19 C.F.R. 210.10 (2021).

SCOPE OF INVESTIGATION: Having considered the complaint, the U.S. International Trade Commission, on January 25, 2022, ORDERED THAT –

(1) Pursuant to subsection (b) of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, an investigation be instituted to determine whether there is a violation of subsection (a)(1)(B) of section 337 in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, or the sale within the United States after importation of certain products identified in paragraph (2) by reason of infringement of one or more of claims 1-6, 20-21, and 23-24 of the ’141 patent, and whether an industry in the United States exists as required by subsection (a)(2) of section 337;

(2) Pursuant to section 210.10(b)(1) of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure, 19 C.F.R. 210.10(b)(1), the plain language description of the accused products or category of accused products, which defines the scope of the investigation, is “gravity-fed water filters that meet a specified combination of high-performance criteria relating to filter rate and lead volume, lead reduction, and lifetime usage, and water container products that are sold with such filters”;

(3) For the purpose of the investigation so instituted, the following are hereby named as parties upon which this notice of investigation shall be served:

(a) The complainant is:

Brita LP
Faubourg du Lac 11
2000 Neuchatel, NE
Switzerland

(b) The respondents are the following entities alleged to be in violation of section 337, and are the parties upon which the complaint is to be served:

EcoLife Technologies, Inc.
17910 Ajax Cir
City of Industry, CA 91748

Qingdao Ecopure Filter Co., Ltd.
No. 13, Yishengbai Road
Environmental Protection Industry Zone
Jimo, Qingdao
Shandong Province, 266201
China

Kaz USA, Inc.
1 Helen of Troy Plaza
El Paso, TX, 79912-1150

Helen of Troy Limited
1 Helen of Troy Plaza
El Paso, TX, 79912-1150

Zero Technologies, LLC
7 Neshaminy Interplex, Suite 116
Trevose, PA 19053

Culligan International Co.
9399 W. Higgins Rd.
Rosemont, IL 60018

Vestergaard Frandsen Inc.
333 W. Ostend St., Suite 300
Baltimore, MD 21230

Mavea LLC
1800 Blakenship Road
Suite 200
West Linn, OR 97068

Brita GmbH
Heinrich-Hertz-Str. 4
65232 Taunusstein
Germany

(4) For the investigation so instituted, the Chief Administrative Law Judge, U.S. International Trade Commission, shall designate the presiding Administrative Law Judge.

The Office of Unfair Import Investigations will not participate as a party in this investigation.

Responses to the complaint and the notice of investigation must be submitted by the named respondents in accordance with section 210.13 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 19 C.F.R. 210.13. Pursuant to 19 C.F.R. 201.16(e) and 210.13(a), as amended in 85 Fed. Reg. 15798 (March 19, 2020), such responses will be considered by the Commission if received not later than 20 days after the date of service by the complainant of the complaint and the notice of investigation. Extensions of time for submitting responses to the complaint and the notice of investigation will not be granted unless good cause therefor is shown.

Failure of a respondent to file a timely response to each allegation in the complaint and in this notice may be deemed to constitute a waiver of the right to appear and contest the allegations of the complaint and this notice, and to authorize the administrative law judge and the Commission, without further notice to the respondent, to find the facts to be as alleged in the complaint and this notice and to enter an initial determination and a final determination containing such findings, and may result in the issuance of an exclusion order or a cease and desist order or both directed against the respondent.

By order of the Commission.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lisa R. Barton', enclosed within a large, loopy oval flourish.

Lisa R. Barton
Secretary to the Commission

Issued: January 25, 2022

PUBLIC CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Lisa R. Barton, hereby certify that the attached **INSTITUTION OF INVESTIGATION** has been served upon the following parties as indicated, on **January 25, 2022**.



Lisa R. Barton, Secretary
U.S. International Trade Commission
500 E Street, SW, Room 112
Washington, DC 20436

Complainant:

Brita LP
Faubourg du Lac 11
2000 Neuchatel, NE
Switzerland

- Via Hand Delivery
- Via Express Delivery
- Via First Class Mail
- Other: Email Notification of Availability for Download

On Behalf of Complainant:

Paul A. Ainsworth, Esq.
STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX, P.L.L.C.
1100 New York Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20005
Email: painsworth@stenekessler.com

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Respondents:

EcoLife Technologies, Inc.
17910 Ajax Circle
City of Industry, CA 91748

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- Via First Class Mail
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Qingdao Ecopure Filter Co., Ltd.
No. 13, Yishengbai Road
Environmental Protection Industry Zone
Jimo, Qingdao
Shandong Province, 266201
China

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1 Helen of Troy Plaza
El Paso, TX, 79912

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Germany

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Completed by Complainant

Embassy:

Embassy of China
3505 International Place, NW
Washington, DC 20008

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Embassy of Germany
4645 Reservoir Road, NW
Washington, DC 20007

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Government Agencies:

Lynda Marshall
International Section, Antitrust Division
U.S. Department of Justice
450 5th Street NW, Room 11000
Washington, DC 20530

Via Hand Delivery
 Via Express Delivery
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Dax Terrill, Chief
Exclusion Order Enforcement Branch
U.S. Customs and Border Protection
Regulations and Rulings
90 K Street NE – 10th Floor
Washington, DC 20229

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Elizabeth Kraus, Deputy Director
International Antitrust, Office of International Affairs
Federal Trade Commission
600 Pennsylvania Avenue, Room 498
Washington, DC 20580

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Dale D. Berkley, Ph.D., J.D.
Office of the General Counsel, PHD, NIH Branch

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National Institutes of Health
31 Center Drive
Bldg. 31, Rm. 47
Bethesda, MD 20892

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UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20436

January 25, 2022

Paul A. Ainsworth
Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox P.L.L.C.
1100 New York Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20005

**Re: Certain High-Performance Gravity-Fed Water Filters and Products
Containing the Same; Investigation No. 337-TA-1294**

Dear Paul A. Ainsworth:

This letter is to advise you that the U.S. International Trade Commission has instituted an investigation pursuant to section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1337). A copy of the Commission's notice of investigation is enclosed. Also enclosed is the Section 337 Mediation Program brochure. After reviewing the brochure, please sign and return the enclosed certification of receipt.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lisa R. Barton".

Lisa R. Barton
Secretary

Enclosures:

1. Notice of Investigation
2. Publication Regarding the Section 337 Mediation Program
3. Certification of Receipt of Mediation Materials



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WASHINGTON, DC 20436

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Brita LP
Faubourg du Lac 11
Neuchatel, 2000 NE
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EcoLife Technologies, Inc.
17910 Ajax Circle
City of Industry, CA 91748

Re: Certain High-Performance Gravity-Fed Water Filters and Products Containing the Same; Investigation No. 337-TA-1294

Dear Sir/Madam:

This letter is to advise you that the United States International Trade Commission has instituted an investigation pursuant to Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1337). **EcoLife Technologies, Inc.** is a named respondent in this investigation.

We are hereby serving you with a copy of the Complaint and the Notice of Investigation issued in this matter. Enclosed is a copy of the Code of Federal Regulations. Also enclosed is a the Section 337 Mediation Program brochure. After reviewing this brochure, please sign and return the enclosed certification of receipt.

Please note that the Notice requires a response to the allegations in the Complaint and the response must be received not later than twenty (20) days after the date of service of the Complaint. Failure to file a response may result in inferences being drawn against your interests.

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January 25, 2022

Qingdao Ecopure Filter Co., Ltd.
No. 13, Yishengbai Road Environmental Protection Industry
Shandong Province
Jimo, Qingdao, 266201 China

Re: Certain High-Performance Gravity-Fed Water Filters and Products Containing the Same; Investigation No. 337-TA-1294

Dear Sir/Madam:

This letter is to advise you that the United States International Trade Commission has instituted an investigation pursuant to Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1337). **Qingdao Ecopure Filter Co., Ltd.** is a named respondent in this investigation.

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January 25, 2022

Kaz USA, Inc.
1 Helen of Troy Plaza
El Paso, TX 79912

Re: Certain High-Performance Gravity-Fed Water Filters and Products Containing the Same; Investigation No. 337-TA-1294

Dear Sir/Madam:

This letter is to advise you that the United States International Trade Commission has instituted an investigation pursuant to Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1337). **Kaz USA, Inc.** is a named respondent in this investigation.

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Helen of Troy Limited
1 Helen of Troy Plaza
El Paso, TX 79912

Re: Certain High-Performance Gravity-Fed Water Filters and Products Containing the Same; Investigation No. 337-TA-1294

Dear Sir/Madam:

This letter is to advise you that the United States International Trade Commission has instituted an investigation pursuant to Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1337). **Helen of Troy Limited** is a named respondent in this investigation.

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Zero Technologies, LLC
7 Neshaminy Interplex, Suite 116
Trevose, PA 19053

Re: Certain High-Performance Gravity-Fed Water Filters and Products Containing the Same; Investigation No. 337-TA-1294

Dear Sir/Madam:

This letter is to advise you that the United States International Trade Commission has instituted an investigation pursuant to Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1337). **Zero Technologies, LLC** is a named respondent in this investigation.

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January 25, 2022

Culligan International Co.
9399 W. Higgins Road
Rosemont, IL 60018

Re: Certain High-Performance Gravity-Fed Water Filters and Products Containing the Same; Investigation No. 337-TA-1294

Dear Sir/Madam:

This letter is to advise you that the United States International Trade Commission has instituted an investigation pursuant to Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1337). **Culligan International Co.** is a named respondent in this investigation.

We are hereby serving you with a copy of the Complaint and the Notice of Investigation issued in this matter. Enclosed is a copy of the Code of Federal Regulations. Also enclosed is a the Section 337 Mediation Program brochure. After reviewing this brochure, please sign and return the enclosed certification of receipt.

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January 25, 2022

Vestergaard Frandsen Inc.
333 W. Ostend Street Suite 300
Baltimore, MD 21230

Re: Certain High-Performance Gravity-Fed Water Filters and Products Containing the Same; Investigation No. 337-TA-1294

Dear Sir/Madam:

This letter is to advise you that the United States International Trade Commission has instituted an investigation pursuant to Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1337).

Vestergaard Frandsen Inc. is a named respondent in this investigation.

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January 25, 2022

Mavea LLC
1800 Blakenship Road, Suite 200
West Linn, OR 97068

Re: Certain High-Performance Gravity-Fed Water Filters and Products Containing the Same; Investigation No. 337-TA-1294

Dear Sir/Madam:

This letter is to advise you that the United States International Trade Commission has instituted an investigation pursuant to Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1337). **Mavea LLC** is a named respondent in this investigation.

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January 25, 2022

Brita GmbH
Heinrich-Hertz-Str. 4
Taunusstein, 65232 Germany

Re: Certain High-Performance Gravity-Fed Water Filters and Products Containing the Same; Investigation No. 337-TA-1294

Dear Sir/Madam:

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January 25, 2022

Embassy of the People's Republic of China
3505 International PI NW
Washington, DC 20008

**Re: Certain High-Performance Gravity-Fed Water Filters and Products
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Dear Sir/Madam:

This letter is to advise you that the United States International Trade Commission has instituted an investigation pursuant to Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1337). One or more of the parties named in the investigation is located in .

Pursuant to Commission Rule 210.11(a) (3), we are hereby serving you with a copy of the Complaint filed in this investigation together with a copy of the Commission's Notice of Investigation.

Sincerely,

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Lisa R. Barton
Secretary

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UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20436

January 25, 2022

Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany
4645 Reservoir Rd NW
Washington, DC 20007

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Dear Sir/Madam:

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WASHINGTON, DC 20436

January 25, 2022

Lynda Marshall
International Section
Antitrust Division
U.S. Dept of Justice
450 5th Street NW, Room 11000
Washington, DC 20530

**Re: Certain High-Performance Gravity-Fed Water Filters and Products
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Dear Lynda Marshall:

This letter is to advise you that the United States International Trade Commission has instituted an investigation pursuant to Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1337). A copy of the Notice of Investigation is enclosed. Non-confidential copies of the Complaint and any supplements filed in the investigation will be provided upon request. Requests should be directed to Docket Services at (202) 205-1802.

If you have any questions concerning this investigation, please contact the Commission Investigative Attorney whose name and telephone number appear in the enclosed Notice.

Sincerely,

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Lisa R. Barton
Secretary

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UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20436

January 25, 2022

Dax Terrill, Chief
Exclusion Order Enforcement Branch
U.S. Customs and Border Protection
Regulations and Rulings
90 K Street NE, 10th Floor
Washington, DC 20229-1177

**Re: Certain High-Performance Gravity-Fed Water Filters and Products
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Dear Dax Terrill:

This letter is to advise you that the United States International Trade Commission has instituted an investigation pursuant to Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1337). A copy of the Notice of Investigation is enclosed. Non-confidential copies of the Complaint and any supplements filed in the investigation will be provided upon request. Requests should be directed to Docket Services at (202) 205-1802.

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January 25, 2022

Elizabeth Kraus, Deputy Director
International Antitrust, Office of
International Affairs
Federal Trade Commission
600 Pennsylvania Avenue, Room 498
Washington, DC 20580

**Re: Certain High-Performance Gravity-Fed Water Filters and Products
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Dear Elizabeth Kraus:

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Secretary

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WASHINGTON, DC 20436

January 25, 2022

Dale D. Berkley, Ph.D., J.D.
Office of the General Counsel, PHD, NIH Branch
National Institutes of Health
31 Center Drive
Building 31, Room 47
Bethesda, MD 20892

**Re: Certain High-Performance Gravity-Fed Water Filters and Products
Containing the Same; Inv. No. 337-TA-1294**

Dear Dale Berkley:

This letter is to advise you that the United States International Trade Commission has instituted an investigation pursuant to Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1337). A copy of the Notice of Investigation is enclosed. Non-confidential copies of the Complaint and any supplements filed in the investigation will be provided upon request. Requests should be directed to Docket Services at (202) 205-1802.

If you have any questions concerning this investigation, please contact the Commission Investigative Attorney whose name and telephone number appear in the enclosed Notice.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. B.", written over a horizontal line.

Secretary

Enclosure:

1. Notice of Investigation