UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

CERTAIN DISPOSABLE VAPORIZER DEVICES AND COMPONENTS AND PACKAGING THEREOF

INV. NO. 337-TA-1381

ORDER NO. 11: ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE AS TO RESPONDENT VICA TRADING INC.

(March 11, 2024)

On February 16, 2024, complainants R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company and R.J. Reynolds

Vapor Company (collectively "R.J. Reynolds") moved for an order directing respondent VICA

Trading Inc. d/b/a Vapesourcing ("VICA") to show cause as to why VICA should not be held in

default in this investigation. Motion No. 1381-008. R.J. Reynolds also moved for an initial

determination finding VICA in default. Id. On February 29, 2024, the Office of Unfair Import

Investigations ("OUII") supporting R.J. Reynold's motion. No other response to the motion has

been received.

Commission Rule 210.16 provides:

A party shall be found in default if it fails to respond to the complaint and notice of investigation in the manner prescribed in § 210.13 or § 210.59(c), or otherwise fails to answer the complaint and notice, and fails to show cause why it should not be found in default.

19 C.F.R. § 210.16(a)(1).

The rule further provides:

If a respondent has failed to respond or appear in the manner described in paragraph (a)(1) of this section, a party may file a motion for, or the administrative law judge may issue upon his own initiative, an order directing respondent to show cause why it should not be found in default.

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19 C.F.R. § 210.16(b)(1)(i).

R.J. Reynolds demonstrated that it sent copies of the complaint and notice of investigation to VICA via UPS that were received on December 19, 2023. See EDIS Doc. ID 812823, at Ex. 25; see also Motion No. 1381-008 at 2-3. VICA has not responded to the complaint or notice of investigation. Nor has VICA otherwise participated in this investigation.

Because VICA has not filed a response to the complaint or otherwise participated in this investigation, an order to show cause is appropriate. See 19 C.F.R. §§ 210.16 and 210.17.

Motion No. 1381-008 is granted in part. VICA is ordered to show cause no later than March 29, 2024, as to why I should not issue an initial determination finding it in default pursuant to 19 C.F.R. §§ 210.16 and 210.17. R.J. Reynold's request for an initial determination finding VICA in default will be held in abeyance until after the March 29, 2024, deadline for VICA to show cause.

SO ORDERED.

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Clark S. Cheney Chief Administrative Law Judge

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PUBLIC CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Lisa R. Barton, hereby certify that the attached **ORDER** has been served via EDIS upon the Commission Investigative Attorney, **Cortney Hoecherl**, and upon the following parties as indicated, on **March 11, 2024**.

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