



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATOR

In the Matter of: )
Taotao USA, Inc., ) Docket No. CAA-HQ-2015-8065
Taotao Group Co., Ltd., and )
Jinyun County Xiangyuan Industry )
Co., Ltd. )
Respondents. )

ORDER ON MOTION TO EXTEND POST-HEARING BRIEF DEADLINES

Deadlines for filing Post-Hearing briefs in this matter were scheduled for December 15, 2017, and January 5, 2018. See Post-Hearing Scheduling Order (Nov. 1, 2017). On December 13, 2017, Respondents filed a "Joint Motion to Extend Post-Hearing Brief Deadlines,"1 stating that they needed more time to finish their briefs due to the departure of one of the attorneys working on their case.

In light of Respondents' concern about having sufficient time to complete their briefs, the motion is GRANTED. The deadlines for filing post-hearing briefs shall be extended as follows:

Initial Post-Hearing Brief: December 22, 2017
Reply Post-Hearing Brief: January 19, 2018

The parties are reminded that briefs filed after the deadline will not be considered. The Initial Post-Hearing Brief shall be no longer than 20 pages. The Reply Post-Hearing Brief shall be no longer than 15 pages and limited in scope to the issues and arguments raised in the Initial Post-Hearing Brief. Briefs shall be typed using a standard 8 1/2- by 11-inch word processing format, appear in 12-point font, and shall be double-spaced. This Tribunal will not consider any pages that exceed the ordered page limit. See 40 C.F.R. § 22.4(c)(10) (empowering the presiding officer to take all acts and measures necessary for the maintenance of order and to ensure an efficient, fair, and impartial adjudication of issues).

All briefs shall contain specific citations to the record in support of each factual statement made and to any and all legal authority the party wishes this Tribunal to consider. Citations to the hearing transcript shall be made by page number. Citations to exhibits admitted at hearing

1 Although styled as a "joint motion," the document filed is signed only by Respondents' counsel. The Agency subsequently clarified in response to an email from a staff attorney in this office that it intended to join in the request for an extension.

shall be made by exhibit number and page number. Materials that are not cited as ordered by this Tribunal will not be considered. See 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.4(c)(10), 22.26 (requiring all posthearing submissions to contain adequate references to the record and authorities relied on).

**SO ORDERED.**



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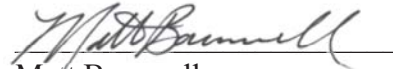
Susan L. Biro  
Chief Administrative Law Judge

Dated: December 14, 2017  
Washington, D.C.

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify the foregoing **Order on Motion to Extend Post-Hearing Brief Deadlines**, dated December 14, 2017, and issued by Chief Administrative Law Judge Susan L. Biro, was sent this day to the following parties in the manner indicated below.

  
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