

**ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD  
 UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
 WASHINGTON, D.C.**

In re: )  
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 Taotao USA, Inc. )  
 Taotao Group Co., Ltd., and )  
 Jinyun County Xiangyuan Industry Co., )  
 Ltd., )  
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Respondents )

Docket No. CAA-HQ-2015-8065

**CLARIFICATION ORDER**

On November 12, 2015, the Air Enforcement Division of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (“Complainant”) filed a complaint against three entities, Taotao USA, Inc. (“Taotao USA”), Taotao Group Co., Ltd. (“Taotao Group”), and Jinyun County Xiangyuan Industry Co., Ltd. (“JCXI”). The complaint alleges that Taotao USA, Taotao Group, and JCXI violated sections 203(a)(1) and 213(d) of the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 7522(a)(1) and 7547(d), and their implementing regulations by manufacturing and importing vehicles in eight separate classes that do not conform to their corresponding certificates of conformity. *See* Complaint at 6-9 (Nov.12, 2015). On December 15, 2015, Taotao USA filed a motion for an extension of time to file an answer in the above-captioned matter, and indicated that the Complainant did not oppose its motion. Also on December 15, 2015, Taotao Group and JCXI jointly filed a separate motion to quash service and dismiss the complaint against them pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 12(b)(5), and stated that Complainant opposed their motion.

On December 22, 2015, the Environmental Appeals Board (“Board”) issued an order granting all three respondents, Taotao USA, Taotao Group, and JCXI, an extension of time to file an answer through Tuesday, January 19, 2016. On December 30, 2015, Complainant filed a single response to the two December 15 motions, requesting that the Board limit the extension of

time to file an answer for Taotao USA to fifteen (15) days and deny Taotao Group's and JCXI's motion to quash service and dismiss the complaints against them.

The Board's December 22, 2015, order extending the time to file an answer for all three respondents through Tuesday, January 19, 2016, stands. The Board will not rule on Taotao Group's and JCXI's motion to quash service and dismiss the complaints against them.

So ordered.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Kathie A. Stein

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Environmental Appeals Judge

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that copies of the forgoing *Clarification Order* in the matter of Taotao USA, Inc., et al., Docket No. CAA-HQ-2015-8065, were sent to the following persons in the manner indicated:

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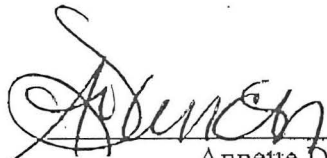
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