

# 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 PARTIES' MOTIONS TO SUPPLEMENT THE PREHEARING EXCHANGE

On September 15, 2017, the parties filed motions to supplement the prehearing exchange. *See* Complainant's Sixth Motion to Supplement the Prehearing Exchange; Respondents' Second Motion to Supplement the Prehearing Exchange.

The Agency seeks to add a new expert witness and seventeen exhibits, most of which are "relevant to Respondents' claim that a penalty in this matter will impose an undue financial burden on their ability to continue in business." Complainant's Sixth Motion to Supplement at 3. Respondents ask to add an expert witness, two fact witnesses, and five additional exhibits, also relevant to the "proposed penalty: gravity, egregiousness, willfulness and negligence, as well as other penalty factors that should be considered in this action." Respondents' Second Motion to Supplement at 1, 3.

The rules governing this proceeding provide that the parties "shall promptly supplement or correct the exchange when the party learns that the information exchanged or response provided is incomplete, inaccurate or outdated, and the additional or corrective information has not otherwise been disclosed to the other party pursuant to this section." 40 C.F.R. § 22.19(f). The parties in this instance are complying with the rules as well as my Order that supplements to the prehearing exchange be filed no later than September 15, 2017. *See* Order on Respondents' Motion for Continuance of Hearing (June 27, 2016). Additionally, although the time for filing response briefs has not expired, no response is necessary.

Consequently, both the Agency's and Respondents' motions to supplement the prehearing exchange are **GRANTED**.

## SO ORDERED.

Susan L. Biro

Chief Administrative Law Judge

Dated: September 20, 2017 Washington, D.C.

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that the foregoing **Order on Parties' Motions to Supplement the Prehearing Exchange**, dated September 20, 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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