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 *337 Investigation U.S* **Recent Section 337 Complaints**

On May 12, 2008, Flexsys America L.P. filed a complaint requesting that the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) institute a Section 337 investigation regarding Rubber Antidegradants, Antidegradant Intermediates. The ITC has identified Korea Kumho Petrochemical Co., Ltd., Seoul, South Korea; Kumho Tire USA, Inc., Rancho Cucamonga, CA; and Kumho Tire Co., Inc., Seoul, South Korea. as respondents in the above mentioned complaint.

 *IP Enterprise Strategy* **Chinese Battery Makers Prevail in Lengthy Slugfest against Energizer**

The United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit (CAFC) upheld the decision of the International Trade Commission (ITC) by invalidating US patent 5464709 of the US battery maker Energizer Holdings who sued nine Chinese battery makers. The decision was final. The Chinese battery makers coordinated by the China Battery Industry Association ended this five-year legal battle on a triumphant note.

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 *IP Cases* **Software Piracy down to 20%**

State Intellectual Property Office held a review conference on the soft scientific research program which shows a survey of piracy rate in software industry of China recently. The result showed that the piracy rate dropped from 24% in 2006 to 20% in 2007.

 *Trade News* **Shenzhen Strengthens IP Protection through Legislation**

The second plenary meeting of the 18th session of the Standing Committee of Shenzhen Municipal People's Congress reviewed and approved the Provisions of Shenzhen Special Economic Zone on Strengthening the Work of Intellectual Property Rights Protection recently which will be put into effect on July 1st 2008. The Provisions is the first regional rule introduced through legislation for comprehensively protecting all fields of intellectual property rights.

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 *IP Cooperation*

 **IPR Ties Strengthened**

Recently, Chinese President Hu Jintao and Japanese Prime Minister Yasuo Fukuda held talks on bilateral relations and other issues of common concern and signed the Sino-Japanese joint statement on advancing strategic and mutually beneficial relations, including IPR protection.

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