

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
BEFORE THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION**

**COMMISSIONERS:**        **Jon Leibowitz, Chairman**  
                                  **J. Thomas Rosch**  
                                  **Edith Ramirez**  
                                  **Julie Brill**

**In the Matter of**

**McWANE, INC.,  
a corporation, and**

**STAR PIPE PRODUCTS, LTD.,  
a limited partnership.**

**Docket No. 9351**

**ORDER WITHDRAWING MATTER FROM ADJUDICATION AS TO  
RESPONDENT STAR PIPE PRODUCTS, LTD., FOR THE PURPOSE  
OF CONSIDERING A PROPOSED CONSENT AGREEMENT**

Complaint Counsel and Respondent Star Pipe Products, Ltd. (“Respondent Star”) having jointly moved for Respondent Star to be withdrawn from adjudication in this matter in order to enable the Commission to consider a proposed Consent Agreement; and

Complaint Counsel and Respondent Star having submitted a proposed Consent Agreement containing a proposed Decision and Order, executed by Respondent Star and by Complaint Counsel and approved by the Director of the Bureau of Competition that, if accepted by the Commission, would resolve the claims against Respondent Star in their entirety;

**IT IS ORDERED**, pursuant to Rule 3.25(c) of the Commission Rules of Practice, 16 C.F.R. § 3.25(c), that all claims against Respondent Star, as set forth in the First Violation Alleged and the Second Violation Alleged in the Complaint, be, and they hereby are, withdrawn in their entirety from adjudication until 12:01 a.m. on March 31, 2012, and that all proceedings against Respondent Star before the Administrative Law Judge be, and they hereby are, stayed pending a determination by the Commission with respect to the proposed Consent Agreement, pursuant to Rule 3.25(f), 16 C.F.R. § 3.25(f); and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED**, pursuant to Rule 3.25(b) of the Commission Rules of Practice, 16 C.F.R. § 3.25(b), that the proposed Consent Agreement shall not be placed on the public record unless and until it is accepted by the Commission; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED**, pursuant to Rule 3.25(e) of the Commission Rules of Practice, 16 C.F.R. § 3.25(e), that this matter shall remain in an adjudicative status as to Respondent McWane, Inc. (“Respondent McWane”), and all claims against Respondent McWane in the Complaint, including but not limited to those set forth in the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, and Seventh Violations Alleged in the Complaint, shall remain in an adjudicative status.

By the Commission.

Donald S. Clark  
Secretary

SEAL:  
ISSUED: February 23, 2012