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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN  
SOUTHERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

DANFOSS FLENSBURG, GmbH

Defendant.

C Case:2:11-cr-20622  
Judge: Edmunds, Nancy G.  
MJ: Whalen, R. Steven  
F Filed: 10-04-2011 At 10:30 AM  
INFO USA V DANFOSS FLENSBURG (LG)  
Violation: 15 U.S.C. § 1

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**INFORMATION**

**COUNT 1**

**CONSPIRACY TO RESTRAIN TRADE**

(15 U.S.C. § 1)

The United States of America, acting through its attorneys, charges:

1. Danfoss Flensburg, GmbH ("Danfoss") is hereby made a defendant on the charge stated below.

**I.**

**DESCRIPTION OF THE OFFENSE**

2. Beginning at least as early as October 14, 2004, and continuing until on or about September 6, 2007, the exact dates being unknown to the United States, the defendant and co-conspirators entered into and engaged in a conspiracy to suppress and eliminate competition by fixing prices to customers of light commercial compressors in the United States and elsewhere. The charged conspiracy unreasonably restrained interstate trade and commerce in violation of Section 1 of the Sherman Act (15 U.S.C. § 1).

3. The charged conspiracy consisted of a continuing agreement, understanding, and concert of action among the defendant and co-conspirators, the substantial terms of which were to fix prices to customers for light commercial compressors in the United States and elsewhere.

## II

### MEANS AND METHODS OF THE CONSPIRACY

4. For the purposes of forming and carrying out the charged conspiracy, the defendant and co-conspirators did the following things, among others:

- (a) participated in meetings and conversations to discuss light commercial compressor customers in the United States and elsewhere;
- (b) agreed, during those meetings and conversations, to coordinate prices for light commercial compressors in the United States and elsewhere;
- (c) exchanged information during those meetings and conversations, for the purpose of monitoring and enforcing adherence to the agreement to coordinate prices for light commercial compressors in the United States and elsewhere; and
- (d) coordinated prices for light commercial compressor customers.

## III

### DEFENDANT AND CO-CONSPIRATORS

5. Danfoss is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Germany and does business in multiple countries with its principal place of business in Flensburg, Germany.

6. Various individuals and corporations, not made defendants in this Information, participated as co-conspirators in the offense charged and performed acts, and made statements in furtherance of it.

7. Whenever this Information refers to any act, deed, or transaction of any corporation, it means that the corporation engaged in the act, deed, or transaction by or through its officers, employees, agents, or other representatives while they were actively engaged in the management, direction, control, or transactions of its business or affairs.

**IV**

**TRADE AND COMMERCE**

8. During the period covered by this Information, Danfoss and co-conspirators produced light commercial compressors and sold and shipped compressors in a continuous and uninterrupted flow of interstate and foreign commerce to customers located in the United States and elsewhere.

9. During the period covered by this Information, the business activities of Danfoss and its co-conspirators in connection with light commercial compressors were within the flow of, and substantially affected, interstate, and foreign trade and commerce.


**V**

**VENUE**

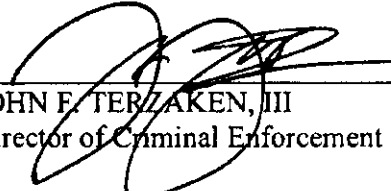
10. The conspiracy charged in this Information was carried out, in part, within the Eastern District of Michigan, Southern Division, within the five years preceding the filing of this Information.

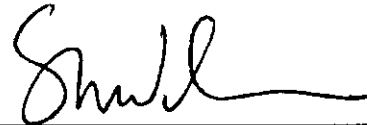
**ALL IN VIOLATION OF TITLE 15, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 1.**


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