

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES

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In the Matter of)	
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Ardagh Group S.A.,)	
a public limited liability company, and)	DOCKET NO. 9356
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Saint-Gobain Containers, Inc.,)	
a corporation, and)	
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Compagnie de Saint-Gobain,)	
a corporation,)	
Respondents.)	
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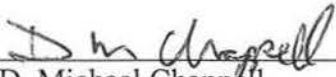
**ORDER GRANTING REQUEST TO CERTIFY JOINT MOTION
TO WITHDRAW MATTER FROM ADJUDICATION**

On March 10, 2014, the parties in the above-captioned matter filed a Joint Motion to Withdraw Matter from Adjudication (“Joint Motion”). Pursuant to Rule 3.25(b) of the Commission’s Rules of Practice, the parties jointly move to withdraw Docket No. 9356 from adjudication for the purpose of considering the Consent Proposal attached to the Joint Motion, and further move that the Administrative Law Judge certify the Joint Motion and the Consent Proposal to the Commission. The parties state that the Consent Proposal details the agreed-upon material terms of a settlement proposal and that there exists a “reasonable possibility of settlement.”

Rule 3.25 of the Commission’s Rules of Practice sets forth the procedures for withdrawing a matter from adjudication to pursue settlement. Rule 3.25(b) provides: “[a] proposal to settle a matter in adjudication by consent shall be submitted by way of a motion to withdraw the matter from adjudication for the purpose of considering a proposed settlement.” 16 C.F.R. § 3.25(b). Rule 3.25(c) provides: “[i]f a consent proposal is not in the form of a consent agreement executed by a respondent, . . . , or has not been executed by complaint counsel, and the matter is pending before the Administrative Law Judge, he or she shall certify the motion and proposal to the Commission upon a written determination that there is a reasonable possibility of settlement. The certification may be accompanied by a recommendation to the Commission as to the disposition of the motion.” 16 C.F.R. § 3.25(c).

Based upon the parties' representations in the Joint Motion, a reasonable possibility of settlement exists in this matter. Accordingly, pursuant to Rule 3.25(c), the request to certify the Joint Motion is GRANTED, and the Joint Motion is hereby CERTIFIED to the Commission. This certification is without recommendation.

ORDERED:



D. Michael Chappell
Chief Administrative Law Judge

Date: March 11, 2014