

SANY Receives Favorable Final Determination in Patent Infringement Lawsuit

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Xiang Wenbo, the President of Sany Heavy, released in Sina Weibo in the afternoon of April 20 that Sany judicial activist in the United States wins again! 337 case, Manitowoc claimed Sany Crawler crane infringed on the '928 patent and the '158 patent held by them, and the United States International Trade Commission issued an initial determination that Sany Heavy Industry didn't infringe on any patent.

It is reported that Sany is pleased by the Judge's favorable ruling on April 16 and get great achievements in this case.

The investigation is based on a June 12, 2013 .Complaint filed by Manitowoc alleging violation of Section 337 of the Tariff Act by Respondents Sany crawler cranes and components infringe one or more claims of the '928 patent and the '158 patent , and that were designed and manufactured using Manitowoc's misappropriated trade secrets.

For this investigation, Sany quickly formed a team involving Sany America, Morris, Manning & Martin, LLP, Research Institute. ITC ruled initially that one of products don't infringe on the '158 patent, but the other violates the patent '928. Then Sany filed an appeal to ITC in July of the same year. As a rule, ITC should issue the ruling by the end of 2014, but postponed four times which happened rarely.

Sany crawler crane has been the first brand in the Chinese market, while also achieved good results in the international market. The Statistics showed that there are more than 1,000 Sany crawler crane in operation around the world, the world sales revenue is more than domestic in 2013.

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