

Federal agency backs HP inkjet patent complaint

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The [International Trade Commission](#) issued a favorable "initial determination" regarding the validity of HP's patents in the case, according to the California-based computer and printer maker.

HP said the ITC ruled that MicroJet infringed on HP patents while Asia Pacific Microsystems was a "contributory infringer."

"HP is pleased with the outcome on these matters and the ITC's pursuit of legal enforcement against practices that violate [intellectual property rights](#)," said HP executive Andy Binder.

The decision was reportedly based on the quasi-judicial federal agency's investigation of a complaint filed a year ago about importation of printer cartridges featuring HP's [patented technology](#).

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