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COURT OF FIRST INSTANCE

Judgment of the Court of First Instance of 6 May 2009 — Wieland-Werke v Commission

(Case T-116/04) (1)

(Competition — Agreements, decisions and concerted practices — Market for copper industrial tubes — Decision finding an infringement of Article 81 EC — Price-fixing and marketsharing — Fines — Principle that penalties must have a sound legal basis — Size of the market concerned — Deterrent effect — Duration of the infringement — Cooperation)

(2009/C 153/60)

Language of the case: German

Parties

Applicant: Wieland-Werke AG (Ulm, Germany) (represented by: R. Bechtold and U. Soltész, Lawyers)

Defendant: Commission of the European Communities (represented initially by: É. Gippini Fournier and H. Gading, and subsequently É. Gippini Fournier, O. Weber and K. Mojzesowicz, Lawyers)

Re:

Annulment or reduction of the fine imposed on the applicant under Article 2(a) of Commission Decision C(2003) 4820 final of 16 December 2003 relating to a proceeding pursuant to Article 81 [EC] and Article 53 of the EEA Agreement (Case COMP/E-1/38.240 — Industrial tubes).

Operative part of the judgment

The Court:

- 1. Dismisses the action;
- 2. Orders Wieland-Werke AG to pay the costs.

Judgment of the Court of First Instance of 6 May 2009 — Outokumpu and Luvata v Commission

(Case T-122/04) (1)

(Competition — Agreements, decisions and concerted practices — Market for copper industrial tubes — Decision finding an infringement of Article 81 EC — Price-fixing and marketsharing — Fines — Size of the market concerned — Aggravating circumstances — Repeat infringement)

(2009/C 153/61)

Language of the case: English

Parties

Applicants: Outokumpu Oyj (Espoo, Finland); and Luvata Oy, formerly Outokumpu Copper Products Oy (Espoo) (represented by: J. Ratliff, Barrister, F. Distefano and J. Luostarinen, Lawyers)

Defendant: Commission of the European Communities (represented by: É. Gippini Fournier, Agent)

Re:

 Application for annulment or reduction of the fine imposed on the applicant by Article 2(b) of Commission Decision C(2003) 4820 final of 16 December 2003 relating to a proceeding pursuant to Article 81 [EC] and Article 53 of the EEA Agreement (Case COMP/E-1/38.240 — Industrial tubes); and (2) Counterclaim by the Commission that the amount of the fine should be increased.

Operative part of the judgment

The Court:

- 1. Dismisses the action.
- 2. Orders Outokumpu Oyj and Luvata Oy to pay the costs.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 118, 30.4.2004.

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