

Public comment on the application is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and three copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is June 8, 1998. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to June 22, 1998).

A copy of the application will be available for public inspection at the following location: Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 3716, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street & Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

Dated: March 30, 1998.

Dennis Puccinelli,

Acting Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 968]

Expansion of Foreign-Trade Zone 181, Akron-Canton, Ohio, Area

Pursuant to its authority under the Foreign-Trade Zones Act of June 18, 1934, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) adopts the following Order:

Whereas, an application from Akron-Canton Regional Airport Authority, grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 181, for authority to expand FTZ 181 to include a new site in Mansfield, Ohio, adjacent to the Cleveland/Akron Customs port of entry, was filed by the Board on April 28, 1997 (FTZ Docket 38-97, 62 FR 26773, 5/15/97);

Whereas, the grant of authority for FTZ 181 was recently reissued to the Northeast Ohio Trade and Economic Consortium (Board Order 965, 3/13/98), which has replaced Akron-Canton Regional Airport as grantee and applicant in this case;

Whereas, notice inviting public comment was given in **Federal Register** and the application has been processed pursuant to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations; and,

Whereas, the Board adopts the findings and recommendations of the examiner's report, and finds that the requirements of the FTZ Act and Board's regulations are satisfied, and that the proposal is in the public interest;

Now, therefore, the Board hereby orders:

The application to expand FTZ 181 is approved, subject to the Act and the Board's regulations, including Section 400.28, and subject to the standard 2,000-acre activation limit for the overall zone project.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 30th day of March 1998.

Robert S. LaRussa,

Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Import Administration, Alternate Chairman, Foreign-Trade Zones Board.

Attest:

Dennis Puccinelli,

Acting Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 14-98]

Foreign-Trade Zone 78, Nashville, Tennessee Area Application for Expansion

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board (the Board) by the Metropolitan Nashville-Davidson County Port Authority, grantee of FTZ 78, Nashville, Tennessee, requesting authority to expand its zone at two sites in the Nashville, Tennessee area, within the Nashville Customs port of entry. The application was submitted pursuant to the provisions of the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), and the regulations of the Board (15 CFR Part 400). It was formally filed on March 27, 1998.

FTZ 78 was approved on April 2, 1982 (Board Order 190, 47 FR 16191, 4/15/82). The zone project currently consists of the following sites: *Site 1* (52,000 sq. ft.)—within a 200,000 sq. ft. warehouse, 750 Cowan Street, Nashville; *Site 2* (63 acres)—within the 2,000-acre Cockrill Bend Industrial Park, Nashville; and, *Site 3* (100,000 sq. ft.)—within a 300,000 sq. ft. warehouse, 323 Mason Road, La Vergne.

This application is requesting authority to expand the general-purpose zone to include two new sites (58 acres) in Goodlettsville, Tennessee (Nashville area) (Proposed Sites 4 and 5): *Proposed Site 4* (39 acres)—Space Park North Industrial Park, 1000 Cartwright Street, Goodlettsville; and, *Proposed Site 5* (19 acres)—Old Stone Bridge Industrial Park, Old Stone Bridge, Goodlettsville. Both facilities are owned by ATREPO Nashville, Inc. Space is available at both parks for a variety of general-purpose zone activity. No specific manufacturing

requests are being made at this time. Such requests would be made to the Board on a case-by-case basis.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, a member of the FTZ Staff has been designated examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment on the application is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is June 8, 1998. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to June 22, 1998).

A copy of the application and accompanying exhibits will be available for public inspection at each of the following locations:

U.S. Department of Commerce, Export Assistance Center, Parkway Towers, Suite 114, 404 James Robertson Parkway, Nashville, TN 37219
Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 3716, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th & Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230

Dated: March 27, 1998.

Dennis Puccinelli,

Acting Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection: Comment Request

TITLE: Format for Petition Requesting Relief Under U.S. Antidumping Duty Law.

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burdens, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 350(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before June 8, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of

Commerce, Room 5327, 14th & Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230. Phone number: (202) 482-3272.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Request for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to: Andrew Stephens, Import Administration, Office of Policy, Room 3713, 14th & Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; Phone number: (202) 482-3693, and fax number: (202) 482-2308.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The International Trade Administration, Import Administration, Antidumping/Countervailing Enforcement, implements the U.S. antidumping and countervailing duty law. Import Administration investigates allegations of unfair trade practices by foreign governments and producers and, in conjunction with the U.S. International Trade Commission, can impose duties on the product in question to offset the unfair practices. Form ITA-357P—Format for Petition Requesting Relief Under the U.S. Antidumping Duty Law—is designed for U.S. companies or industries that are unfamiliar with the antidumping law and the petition process. The Form is designed for potential petitioners that believe that an industry in the United States is being injured because a foreign competitor is selling a product in the United States at less than fair value. Since a variety of detailed information is required under the law before initiation of an antidumping duty investigation, the Form is designed to extract such information in the least burdensome manner possible.

II. Method of Collection

Form ITA-357P is sent by request to potential U.S. petitioners and completed in written form.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0625-0105.

Form Number: ITA-357P.

Type of Review: Revision-Regular Submission.

Affected Public: U.S. companies or industries that suspect the presence of unfair competition from foreign firms selling merchandise in the United States below fair value.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 38.

Estimated Time Per Response: 40 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,520 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Costs: The estimated annual cost for this collection is \$376,200 (\$273,600 for respondents and \$102,600 for federal government).

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and costs) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: April 1, 1998.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-428-602]

Brass Sheet and Strip from Germany: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of preliminary results of antidumping duty administrative review.

SUMMARY: In response to a request from the petitioners, the Department of Commerce (the Department) is conducting an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on brass sheet and strip from Germany. This review covers one manufacturer and exporter of the subject merchandise, Wieland-Werke AG (Wieland). The period of review (POR) is March 1, 1996, through February 28, 1997.

We preliminarily determine that sales have been made below normal value (NV). If these preliminary results are adopted in our final results of administrative review, we will instruct U.S. Customs to assess antidumping

duties based on to the difference between export price (EP) and NV.

Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results. Parties who submit argument in this proceeding are requested to submit with the argument: (1) a statement of the issue; and (2) a brief summary of the argument.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 7, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Thomas Killiam, Alain Letort, or John Kugelman, Enforcement Group III Office 8, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Room 7866, Washington, D.C. 20230; telephone (202) 482-2704 (Killiam), 4243 (Letort), or 0649 (Kugelman).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the statute are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Tariff Act of 1930 (the Act) by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (URAA). In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department's regulations are references to the provisions codified at 19 CFR Part 353 (April 1997). Although the Department's new regulations, codified at 19 CFR Part 351 (62 FR 27296, May 19, 1997), do not govern these proceedings, citations to those regulations are provided, where appropriate, to explain current departmental practice.

Background

The Department published the antidumping duty order on brass sheet and strip from Germany on March 6, 1987 (52 FR 6997). The Department published a notice of Opportunity to Request an Administrative Review of the antidumping duty order for the 1996/97 review period on March 7, 1997 (62 FR 10521). On March 31, 1997, petitioners Hussey Copper Ltd., The Miller Company, Outokumpu American Brass, Revere Copper Products, Inc., International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, International Union, Allied Industrial Workers of America (AFL-CIO), Mechanics Educational Society of America (Local 56) and the United Steelworkers of America (AFL-CIO/CLC), requested that the Department conduct an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on brass sheet and strip from Germany for Wieland. We published a notice of initiation of