DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

United States Manufacturing Council: Meeting of the United States Manufacturing Council

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of an open meeting.

SUMMARY: The United States
Manufacturing Council (Council) will
hold the first meeting of the current
members' term on Wednesday, April 1,
2015. The Council was established in
April 2004 to advise the Secretary of
Commerce on matters relating to the
manufacturing industry.

The purpose of the meeting is to brief Council members on current manufacturing initiatives throughout the Federal government. The Council will receive briefings from various leaders across the Department who are actively engaged in different aspects of manufacturing policy. The Council will also receive briefings from senior officials of related government agencies such as the Department of Labor. The Secretary of Commerce has been invited to welcome the Council and provided introductory remarks. Following the briefings, the Council members will be asked to discuss their views on major priorities facing the manufacturing industry and issues that they propose for the Council to advise on during their appointment term. The agenda may change to accommodate Council business. The final agenda will be posted on the Department of Commerce Web site for the Council at http:// trade.gov/manufacturingcouncil, at least one week in advance of the meeting.

DATES: Wednesday, April 1, 2015, 8:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m. The deadline for members of the public to register, including requests to make comments during the meetings and for auxiliary aids, or to submit written comments for dissemination prior to the meeting, is 5 p.m. EDT on March 23, 2015.

ADDRESSES: U.S. Manufacturing Council, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 4043, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230, mc@trade.gov. Members of the public are encouraged to submit registration requests and written comments via email to ensure timely receipt.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Niara Phillips, the United States Manufacturing Council, Room 4043, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230, telephone: 202– 482–4501, email: niara.phillips@trade.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The Council advises the Secretary of Commerce on matters relating to the U.S. manufacturing industry.

Public Participation: The meeting will be open to the public and will be physically accessible to people with disabilities. All guests are required to register in advance by the deadline identified under the DATES caption. The meeting room will be provided upon registration. Seating is limited and will be on a first come, first served basis. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids must be submitted by the registration deadline. Last minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to fill. There will be fifteen (15) minutes allotted for oral comments from members of the public attending the meeting. To accommodate as many speakers as possible, the time for public comments will be limited to three (3) minutes per person. Individuals wishing to reserve speaking time during the meeting must submit a request at the time of registration along with a brief statement of the general nature of the comments, as well as the name and address of the proposed speaker. If the number of registrants requesting to make statements is greater than can be reasonably accommodated during the meeting, the International Trade Administration may conduct a lottery to determine the speakers. Speakers are requested to bring at least 25 copies of their oral comments for distribution to the members of the Manufacturing Council and to the public at the meeting.

In addition, any member of the public may submit pertinent written comments concerning the Council's affairs at any time before or after the meeting. Comments may be submitted to Niara Phillips at the contact information indicated above. To be considered during the meeting, comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. EDT on March 23, 2015, to ensure transmission to the Council prior to the meeting. Comments received after that date will be distributed to the members but may not be considered at the meeting. Copies of Council meeting minutes will be available within 90 days of the meeting.

Dated: March 11, 2015.

Niara Phillips,

Executive Secretary, United States Manufacturing Council.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration [Application No. 14–00004]

Export Trade Certificate of Review

ACTION: Notice of Issuance of an Export Trade Certificate of Review to DFA of California, Application no. 14–00004.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Commerce, through the Office of Trade and Economic Analysis ("OTEA") of the International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce, issued an Export Trade Certificate of Review to DFA of California on March 2, 2015.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joseph Flynn, Director, Office of Trade and Economic Analysis, International Trade Administration, (202) 482–5131 (this is not a toll-free number) or email at etca@trade.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title III of the Export Trading Company Act of 1982 (15 U.S.C. 4001-21) authorizes the Secretary of Commerce to issue Export Trade Certificates of Review. An Export Trade Certificate of Review protects the holder and the members identified in the Certificate from State and Federal government antitrust actions and from private treble damage antitrust actions for the export conduct specified in the Certificate and carried out in compliance with its terms and conditions. Section 302(b)(1) of the Export Trading Company Act of 1982 and 15 CFR 325.6(a) require the Secretary to publish a notice in the Federal Register identifying the applicant and summarizing its proposed export conduct.

Members (within the meaning of 15 CFR 325.2(1))

- 1. Alpine Pacific Nut Company (Hughson, CA)
- 2. Andersen & Sons Shelling (Vina, CA)
- 3. Avanti Nut Company, Inc. (Stockton, CA)
- 4. Berberian Nut Company, LLC (Chico, CA)
- 5. Carriere Family Farms, Inc. (Glenn, CA)
- 6. Continente Nut LLC (Oakley, CA)
- 7. Crain Walnut Shelling, Inc. (Los Molinos, CA)
- 8. Crisp California Walnuts (Stratford, CA)
- 9. Diamond Foods, Inc. (Stockton, CA)
- 10. Empire Nut Company (Colusa, CA) 11. Gold River Orchards, Inc. (Escalon,
- 12. Grower Direct Nut Company (Hughson, CA)
- 13. GSF Nut Company (Orosi, CA)
- 14. Guerra Nut Shelling Company (Hollister, CA)

- 15. Hill View Packing Company Inc. (Gustine, CA)
- 16. Linden Nut Company (Linden, CA)
- 17. Mariani Nut Company (Winters, CA)
- 18. Mariani Packing Čompany, Inc. (Vacaville, CA)
- 19. Mid Valley Nut Company Inc. (Hughson, CA)
- 20. National Raisin Company (Fowler, CA)
- 21. Poindexter Nut Company (Selma, CA)
- 22. Prima Noce Packing (Linden, CA)
- 23. Sacramento Packing, Inc. (Yuba City, CA)
- 24. Sacramento Valley Walnut Growers, Inc. (Yuba City, CA)
- 25. San Joaquin Figs, Inc. (Fresno, CA)
- 26. Shoei Foods USA, Inc. (Olivehurst, CA)
- 27. Stapleton-Spence Packing (Gridley, CA)
- 28. Sunsweet Growers Inc. (Yuba City, CA)
- 29. T.M. Duche Nut Company, Inc. (Orland, CA)
- 30. Wilbur Packing Company, Inc. (Live Oak, CA)
- 31. Valley Fig Growers (Fresno, CA)

Description of Certified Conduct

DFA of California ("DFA") is certified to engage in the Export Trade Activities and Methods of Operation described below in the following Export Trade and Export Markets.

Export Trade

Products: California Figs, Prunes, and Walnuts in processed and unprocessed form

Export Trade Facilitation Services (as They Relate to the Export of Products): All export trade-related facilitation services, including but not limited to: development of trade strategy; sales, marketing, and distribution; foreign market development; export promotion; and services related to trade documentation, foreign exchange, customs, duties, taxes, inspection, and quality control.

Export Markets

The Export Markets include all parts of the world except the United States (the fifty states of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands).

Export Trade Activities and Methods of Operations

For purposes of the Certificate of Review, "members" and "membership" refer to members of and membership in

- DFA of California; and "Members" and "Membership" refer to Members under the Certificate within the meaning of 15 CFR 325.2(1).
- 1. To engage in Export Trade in the Export Markets, DFA and Members may, subject to the Terms and Conditions below, exchange and discuss the following information:
- a. Information about expenses specific to exporting to and within the Export Markets, including without limitation, transportation, transmodal or intermodal shipments, insurance, inland freight to port, port storage, commissions, export sales, documentation, financing, customs, duties and taxes;
- b. Information about U.S. and foreign legislation and regulations, including federal marketing order programs, affecting sales of Products for the Export Markets;
- c. Information about DFA's or its Members' export operations, including without limitation, sales and distribution networks established by DFA or its Members in the Export Markets:
- d. Information about the credit terms extended to, and credit history of, export customers.
- 2. To engage in Export Trade in the Export Markets, DFA and its Members may, subject to the Terms and Conditions below, and further subject to the condition that the information is either (1) publicly available, or (2) if not publicly available, then compiled and distributed only in aggregate and summary form, by a person who is not employed by, nor affiliated with, a Processor or Packer, and in a manner that does not disclose either directly or by inference information about a transaction of any specific Member, exchange and discuss the following information:
- a. With respect to the Export Markets, information about sales and marketing efforts, activities and opportunities for sales of Products, selling strategies, sales contracts, pricing, projected demand, customary terms of sale, and specifications for Products by customers in the Export Markets;
- b. With respect to Products available from Members for export, information about price, quality, and quantity; and
- c. Information about prior export sales by Members, including export prices.
- 3. DFA and its Members may meet to engage in the activities described in paragraphs 1 and 2 above.
- 4. DFA and its Members may prescribe the following conditions for admission and termination of members of DFA as participants in the Export Trade Activities and Methods of

- Operation and as Members of the Certificate (within the meaning of 15 CFR 325.2(1)) ("Membership"):
- a. DFA may limit Membership to Fig, Prune, or Walnut Processors or Packers as defined under "Definitions."
- b. DFA may terminate Membership on the occurrence of one or more of the following events:
- i. Withdrawal or resignation of a Member:
- ii. Expulsion approved by a majority of all Members for a material violation of DFA's by-laws, after prior written notice to the Member proposed to be expelled and an opportunity of such Member to appear and be heard before a meeting of the Members;
- iii. Death or permanent disability of a Member who is an individual or the dissolution of a Member other than an individual: or
- iv. The bankruptcy of a Member, as provided in DFA's by-laws.
- 5. DFA and its Members may establish the following Minimum Qualifications for Members to participate in the DFA's Export Committees for Figs, Natural Condition Prunes, Prune Processors and Walnuts. There are no additional requirements for participation in the Fig and Walnut Export Committees.
- a. A participant in any of the Export Committees must be:
 - i. A DFA Member;
- ii. Owner of a commercially viable processing facility;
- iii. In good standing with DFA credit terms (Payment net 30); and
- iv. With personal and business conduct consistent with the highest industry standards as necessary to protect the integrity of the committee.
- b. Fig Export Committee: A participant must meet the Minimum Qualifications.
- c. Natural Condition Prune Export Committee: In addition to meeting the Minimum Qualifications, participation in this export committee requires that the Member be a packer of natural condition prunes for export.
 - d. Prune Processor Export Committee:
- i. In addition to meeting the Minimum Qualifications, participation in this export committee requires that the Member be a processor of processed prunes for export;
- ii. Participation also requires that the Member has the capability to thermally process and pack fruit into a consumerready product to a minimum 25% moisture level suitable for end user consumption.
- e. Walnut Export Committee: A participant must meet the Minimum Qualifications.
- 6. Export Committees can elect to have guest speakers (such as

economists, university professors, or researchers) present relevant industry information during the meetings.

Definition

- 1. "Processor or Packer" means a person or entity that processes or packs figs, prunes or walnuts grown in California.
- 2. "Member" means the Members of DFA listed in Attachment A and any other members of DFA added as Members under the Certificate through amendment of the Certificate.
- 3. "Natural Condition Prunes" means prunes (with pits) in the condition in which they are normally delivered from a dry yard or dehydrator and may include:
- a. Prunes which have been washed but which retain natural condition;
- b. Prunes which will permit normal bulk storage without adding a preservative:
- c. Prunes which will permit normal bulk storage without adding a preservative;
- d. Prunes which have been size graded;
- e. Prunes which may have been processed and re-dried to acceptable natural condition moisture content; and
- f. Prunes in which the average moisture content of a lot is 21% or less.
- 4. "Processed Prunes" means prunes which have been thermally processed (e.g., treated with hot water or steam) in the course of their preparation for packaging to the extent that their condition no longer meets the definition of "natural condition."

Terms and Conditions of the Certificate

- 1. Neither DFA nor any Member shall intentionally disclose, directly or indirectly, to DFA or to any other Member any information about its own or any other Member's costs, output, capacity, inventories, domestic prices, domestic sales, domestic orders, terms of domestic marketing or sale, U.S. business plans, strategies, or methods that is (1) not already generally available to the trade or public; or (2) made in connection with the administration of a United States Department of Agriculture marketing order for any Product.
- 2. Meetings at which DFA Members discuss the information under paragraphs 1 of the Export Trade Activities and Methods of Operations above shall not be open to the public.
- 3. Participation by a Member in any Export Trade Activity or Method of Operation under this Certificate shall be entirely voluntary as to that Member. A Member may withdraw from Membership under this Certificate at any time by giving a written notice to

DFA, a copy of which DFA shall promptly transmit to the Secretary of Commerce and the Attorney General.

4. DFA and its Members will comply with requests made by the Secretary of Commerce, on behalf of the Secretary or the Attorney General, for information or documents relevant to conduct under the Certificate. The Secretary of Commerce will request such information or documents when either the Attorney General or the Secretary believes that the information or documents are required to determine that the Export Trade, Export Trade Activities and methods of Operation of a person protected by this Certificate of Review continue to comply with the standards of section 303(a) of the Act.

Dated: March 12, 2015.

Anne Flatness

Acting Director, Office of Trade and Economic Analysis, International Trade Administration. [FR Doc. 2015–06248 Filed 3–17–15; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a meeting of its Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) subcommittee to review and discuss the revisions of false killer whale stock boundaries and bycatch proration method for incidental take in the Hawaii longline fishery.

DATES: The SSC subcommittee meeting will be held on March 31, 2015 at 1 p.m. ADDRESSES: The SSC subcommittee meeting will be held at the Council office, 1164 Bishop Street, Suite 1400, Honolulu, HI 96813; telephone: (808) 522–8220.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director; telephone: (808) 522–8220.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Public comment opportunity will be provided. The order in which agenda items are addressed may change. The meetings will run as late as necessary to complete scheduled business.

Schedule and Agenda for the SSC Subcommittee Meeting

- 1. Welcome and Introductions
- 2. Approval of the Agenda
- 3. False Killer Whale Stock Boundary and Bycatch Proration
 - A. Revised Stock Boundaries for False Killer Whales in Hawaiian Waters
 - B. Revised Bycatch Proration
 - C. Discussions
- 4. Public Comment
- 5. Discussion and Recommendations

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kitty M. Simonds, (808) 522–8220 (voice) or (808) 522–8226 (fax), at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.

Dated: March 13, 2015.

Tracey L. Thompson,

Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. 2015–06200 Filed 3–17–15; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B-15-2015]

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 44—Mount Olive, New Jersey; Notification of Proposed Production Activity, Givaudan Fragrances Corporation, (Fragrance Compounds), Mount Olive, New Jersey

Givaudan Fragrances Corporation (Givaudan), an operator of FTZ 44, submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facility located in Mount Olive, New Jersey. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on March 4, 2015.

Givaudan already has authority to produce fragrance compounds within Site 1 of FTZ 44. The current request would add foreign-status materials to the scope of authority. Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), additional FTZ authority would be limited to the specific foreign-status materials and components and specific finished products described in the submitted notification (as described below) and subsequently authorized by the FTZ Board.

Production under FTZ procedures could exempt Givaudan from customs duty payments on the foreign status materials used in export production. On