

extending the comment period to August 7, 2000.

DATES: Written comments are due by August 7, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Forest Service, USDA, Timber and Watershed Laboratory, P.O. Box 404, Parsons, WV 26287-0404

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary Beth Adams, Project Leader, at (304) 478-2000.

Dated: June 28, 2000.

Barbara C. Weber,

Associate Deputy Chief for Research and Development.

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BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Sunshine Act Meeting

Date and Time: July 11, 2000; 9:30 A.M.-5 P.M. July 12, 2000; 9 A.M.-11 A.M.

Place: Cohen Building, Room 3321, 330 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20237.

Closed Meeting: The members of the Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG) will meet in closed session to review and discuss a number of issues relating to U.S. Government-funded nonmilitary international broadcasting. They will address internal procedural, budgetary, and personnel issues, as well as sensitive foreign policy issues relating to potential options in the U.S. international broadcasting field. This meeting is closed because if open it likely would either disclose matters that would be properly classified to be kept secret in the interest of foreign policy under the appropriate executive order (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c)(1)) or would disclose information the premature disclosure of which would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action. (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c)(9)(B)) In addition, part of the discussion will relate solely to the internal personnel and organizational issues of the BBG or the International Broadcasting Bureau. (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c) (2) and (6))

Contact Person for More Information: Persons interested in obtaining more information should contact either Brenda Hardnett or John Lindburg at (202) 401-3736.

Dated: June 30, 2000.

John A. Lindburg,

Legal Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Economics and Statistics Administration

Census Advisory Committees

AGENCY: Economics and Statistics Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended by Pub. L. 94-409, Pub. L. 96-523, and Pub. L. 97-375), we are giving notice of a joint meeting of the 2000 Census Advisory Committee (CAC), the CAC of Professional Associations, the CAC on the African American Population, the CAC on the American Indian and Alaska Native Populations, the CAC on the Asian Population, the CAC on the Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander Populations, and the CAC on the Hispanic Population. The meeting will be primarily an informational meeting focusing on the American Community Survey and planning for the 2010 decennial census. Participants also will discuss the status of Census 2000 activities and share their experiences as they relate to the American Community Survey (ACS) and 2010 census planning. Last minute changes to the schedule are possible, and they could prevent us from giving advance notice.

DATES: On Friday, July 28, 2000, the meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. and adjourn at approximately 5:15 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will take place at the Doubletree Hotel, 300 Army Navy Drive, Arlington, VA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Maxine Anderson-Brown, Committee Liaison Officer, Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau, Room 1647, Federal Building 3, Washington, DC 20233, telephone: 301-457-2308.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The CACs on the African American Population, American Indian and Alaska Native Populations, the Asian Population, the Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander Populations, and the Hispanic Population are composed of nine members each, appointed by the Secretary of Commerce. The Committees provide an organized and continuing channel of communication between the communities they represent and the Bureau of the Census on its effort to reduce the differential undercount for Census 2000, and on research, technological, and policy issues related to the 2010 decennial census, the ACS, and related programs.

The CAC of Professional Associations is composed of 36 members appointed by the Presidents of the American Economic Association, the American Statistical Association, the Population Association of America, and the Chairman of the Board of the American Marketing Association. The Committee advises the Director, Bureau of the Census, on the full range of Census Bureau programs and activities in relation to its area of expertise.

The 2000 Census Advisory Committee is composed of a Chair, Vice Chair, and up to 40 member organizations, all appointed by the Secretary of Commerce. The Advisory Committee considers the goals of Census 2000 and user needs for information provided by that census. The Committee provides an outside user perspective about how operational planning and implementation methods for Census 2000 are realizing the overall goals of achieving an accurate count during Census 2000. The Advisory Committee considers all aspects of Census 2000 and advises the Secretary of Commerce on its findings.

A brief period will be set aside at the meeting for public comment. However, individuals with extensive statements for the record must submit them in writing to the Commerce Department official named above at least three working days prior to the meeting.

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to the Census Bureau Committee Liaison Officer on 301-457-2308, TDD 301-457-2540.

Dated: June 27, 2000.

Robert J. Shapiro,

Under Secretary for Economic Affairs, Economics and Statistics Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Export Administration

Notice of Meeting With Interested Public To Discuss Sanctions Easing for North Korea

The Bureau of Export Administration (BXA), in conjunction with other federal agencies, will brief companies and interested organizations on recent changes in North Korea that have led to easing of trade sanctions. U.S. officials will provide information on the new rules for doing business with North Korea.

The meeting will be held July 6, 2000, at 9:30 a.m., at the Department of Commerce, Herbert C. Hoover Building, Room 6802, 14th Street between Pennsylvania Avenue and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC.

If you plan to attend, please fax your name and company or organization affiliation to ATTN: NORTH KOREA BRIEFING, at (202) 482-6088. For further information contact Frank Ruggiero in BXA at (202) 482-1926 or 482-4252. Interested parties requiring special accommodations should also contact BXA in advance.

Background

On June 19, 2000, BXA published regulations easing sanctions on North Korea. This implemented the Administration's September 1999 decision to ease sanctions provided North Korea maintains its moratorium on testing long-range ballistic missiles. U.S. exporters may now export the vast majority of U.S. consumer products to North Korea without a license, including agricultural, medical, and low-level industrial goods and services. The Administration's sanctions easing program continues to require a license for items on the Commerce Control List (CCL), including additional items added to the CCL on June 19. Items on the CCL include multilaterally controlled items, as well as a range of lower-level products and technologies controlled for anti-terrorism and non-proliferation reasons.

Other Federal agencies took related measures. The Transportation Department published a rule lifting the ban on U.S. ships and aircraft transporting goods or traveling to North Korea. Previously, U.S. registered ships and aircraft were prohibited from engaging in such activities. The Treasury Department published rules allowing new financial, trade and other transactions with North Korea and its nationals. Treasury will require a notification and approval process for all imports from North Korea.

BXA has scheduled a meeting for July 6 to more fully explain to industry and other organizations the new rules for conducting business with North Korea.

James A. Lewis,

Director, Office of Strategic Trade.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 32-2000]

Foreign-Trade Zone 112—Colorado; Springs, CO; Application for Expansion and Request for Manufacturing Authority (Data Storage Systems)

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board (the Board) by the Colorado Springs Foreign-Trade Zone, Inc., grantee of FTZ 112, requesting authority to reorganize and expand its existing zone space to include three new sites in Colorado Springs, Colorado, and requesting, on behalf of the Quantum Corporation and its subsidiaries (Quantum), authority to manufacture data storage drives under zone procedures within FTZ 112 (Colorado Springs Customs Service Station). 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 June 27, 2000.

FTZ 112 was approved on November 1, 1984 (Board Order 281, 49 FR 44936, 11/13/84). The zone currently consists of one site (2,270 acres) within the Colorado Centre industrial and commercial community on Drennan Road, in El Paso County, adjacent to the Colorado Springs Municipal Airport.

The applicant is now requesting authority to transfer 1017.22 acres from the current site to three proposed sites. The area to be removed from the zone is located within the current Site 1, the Colorado Centre and is north of Fontaine Boulevard, east of Powers Boulevard, south of Bradley Road, and west of Meridian Road. The expansion would include the following new sites: proposed *Site 2*: (55.84 acres) Arrowswest Business and Industrial Park, located along the Garden of the Gods High-Tech Corridor, Colorado Springs, Colorado; proposed *Site 3*: (202.94 acres) InterQuest Business and Industrial Park, located at the intersection of I-25 and InterQuest Parkway; and proposed *Site 4*: (1023.6 acres) Colorado Springs Airport, located at the intersection of Powers Boulevard and Drennan Road. The proposed expansion would add 265.48 acres to the zone.

The application also requests authority on behalf of Quantum to manufacture data storage systems within FTZ 112 (within the proposed expansion area). Quantum currently operates in three buildings (392,688 square feet) within proposed Site 3. The

Quantum facilities are used for the manufacturing of DLTtape™ drives, solid state disk drives, ATL Products (DLTtape™ libraries) and Snap! Systems (file servers) (HTS 8471, duty free). Components and materials sourced from abroad (representing about 60% of all parts consumed in manufacturing) include: vulcanized rubber, packing materials of wood, plastic and paper, springs, data processing machines and parts, gaskets, electric motors and parts, electrical transformers, bearings, primary cells and batteries, prepared unrecorded media, insulated wire, measuring instruments and electrical apparatuses for switching electrical circuits (HTS 3923, 3926, 4016, 4819, 4821, 7320, 8471, 8473, 8484, 8485, 8501, 8503, 8504, 8506, 8523, 8536, 8544, and 9031, duty rate ranges from duty-free to 10.7%).

FTZ procedures would exempt Quantum from Customs duty payments on the foreign components used in export production. Some 27 percent of the plant's shipments are exported. On its domestic sales, Quantum would be able to choose the duty rates during Customs entry procedures that apply to finished data storage drives (duty-free) for the foreign inputs noted above. The request indicates that the savings from FTZ procedures would help improve the plant's international competitiveness.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, a member of the FTZ staff has been appointed 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 September 5, 2000. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to September 18, 2000).

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

U.S. Department of Commerce, Export Assistance Center, 1625 Broadway, Suite 680, Denver, CO 80202

Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 3716, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, D.C. 20230