

(GHG) emissions to the atmosphere. Land uses can also reverse the buildup of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere by sequestering and storing carbon in biomass and soils. The dominant drivers of land use emissions of carbon are the conversion of forest and grassland to crop and pastureland and the depletion of soil carbon through agricultural and other land management practices. Practices such as livestock grazing, manure management, and fertilizer application also affect emissions of other GHGs such as methane (CH<sub>4</sub>) and nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O). USDA research will identify opportunities to apply resource conserving management practices to reverse past carbon losses and to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Areas of focus under Goal 3 include:

- Knowledge and technologies that will assist resource managers in enhancing carbon sequestration;
- Management options that increase forest carbon sequestration by increasing the carbon stored in forests and soils, in forest products, and used as biofuels to replace fossil fuels.
- Costs, benefits, and feasibility of mitigation options;
- Technologies and strategies for managing agricultural and forestry emissions of GHGs, including CO<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O, and CH<sub>4</sub>;
- Mechanisms to facilitate the adoption and incorporation of GHG management technologies into agricultural and forestry production, processing, storage and delivery systems;
- Estimation and measurement capabilities for assessing the effectiveness of GHG emission management.

**Goal 4:** Deliver climate change science and technology to USDA agencies, stakeholders and collaborators for improved decision making. USDA maintains research, education, and extension capabilities which can be drawn on to meet the challenges of climate change. USDA seeks comments on how to best utilize resources to address questions relevant to stakeholders and decision makers at local, regional, national, and international scales. Goal 4 emphasizes the delivery and application of the latest scientific information, including:

- Education of USDA stakeholders, clients and customers including the general public, the scientific community, land managers, producers, and policy makers about climate change and agriculture and forestry;
- Scientific collaboration and technology transfer to integrate climate change into decision-making for management of natural and managed

ecosystems using the products of research and development from the three previous goals;

- Distribution and dissemination of USDA climate change data, information, and technology to interested users;
- Decision support tools for policymakers, producers and land managers charged with implementing mechanisms for reducing GHG emissions and enhancing carbon sequestration, thereby increasing resilience of natural, agricultural, and forested ecosystems;
- Risk management paradigms to balance production, conservation and climate change, especially in light of uncertainty regarding the specifics of future climate and climate variability;
- Incorporation of GHG and carbon sequestration data into USDA data collection programs and data base systems.

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*Chairman of the World Agricultural Outlook Board.*

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## COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

### Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Utah Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights and the regulations of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), that a meeting of the Utah Advisory Committee will convene at 6 p.m. and adjourn at 8 p.m. (MST) on Wednesday, August 20, 2008 at the Hilton City Center, 255 South West Temple, Salt Lake City, UT 84101.

The purpose of the meeting is for the committee to discuss recent Commission and regional activities, discuss current civil rights issues in the state as well as issues raised during the forum on civil rights issues affecting American Indians in Utah (held Dec. 2006), and plan future activities.

Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact Malee V. Craft, Director of the Rocky Mountain Regional Office, (303) 866-1040 (TDD 303-866-1049). Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least ten (10) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules

and regulations of the Commission and FACA.

Dated in Washington, DC, July 31, 2008.

**Christopher Byrnes,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 1567]

#### Approval of Expansion of Subzone 161A and Expansion of Manufacturing Authority, Hospira, Inc. (Pharmaceutical Products), McPherson, KS

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*, the Board of County Commissioners of Sedgwick, Kansas, grantee of FTZ 161, submitted an application to the Board for authority to expand the subzone and the scope of manufacturing authority under zone procedures at Subzone 161A at the Hospira, Inc., pharmaceutical facility in McPherson, Kansas, adjacent to the Wichita Customs and Border Protection port of entry (FTZ Docket 41-2007, filed 8/23/07);

*Whereas*, notice inviting public comment was given in the **Federal Register** (72 FR 50326, 8/31/07), 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 as described in the application and **Federal Register** notice is in the public interest;

*Now, therefore*, the Board hereby orders:

The application to expand the subzone and the scope of manufacturing authority under zone procedures for Subzone 161A is approved, subject to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations, including section 400.28.