

exemption claim. For the BE-30 and BE-37 surveys, hours may vary considerably among respondents because of differences in company size and complexity.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 1,344 (776 for the BE-30; 568 for the BE-37).

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* \$0.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Mandatory.

*Legal Authority:* International Investment and Trade in Services Survey Act (Pub. L. 94-472, 22 U.S.C. 3101-3108, as amended).

#### 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 will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) 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 other forms of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this ICR. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

**Sheleen Dumas,**

*Department PRA Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Commerce Department.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B-63-2021]

#### Foreign-Trade Zone 15—Kansas City, Missouri; Application for Reorganization and Expansion Under Alternative Site Framework

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board by the Greater Kansas City Foreign-Trade Zone, Inc., grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 15, requesting authority to reorganize the zone to expand its service area and include a new magnet site under the alternative site framework (ASF) adopted by the FTZ Board (15 CFR Sec. 400.2(c)). The ASF is an option for grantees for the establishment or reorganization of zones and can permit significantly greater flexibility in the designation of new subzones or “usage-driven” FTZ sites for operators/users located within a grantee’s “service area” in the context of the FTZ Board’s standard 2,000-acre activation limit for a zone. The application was submitted pursuant to the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), and the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR part 400). It was formally docketed on September 14, 2021.

FTZ 15 was approved by the FTZ Board on March 13, 1973 (Board Order 93, 38 FR 8622, April 4, 1973), reorganized under the ASF on May 16, 2014 (Board Order 1938, 79 FR 30079, May 27, 2014), and expanded under the ASF on October 25, 2018 (Board Order 2069, 83 FR 54711-54712, October 31, 2018). The zone currently has a service area that includes Andrew, Bates, Buchanan, Caldwell, Carroll, Cass, Chariton, Clay, Clinton, Cooper, Daviess, DeKalb, Henry, Howard, Jackson, Johnson, Lafayette, Livingston, Pettis, Platte, Ray and Saline Counties, Missouri.

The applicant is now requesting authority to expand the service area of the zone to include Holt County, as described in the application. If approved, the grantee would be able to serve sites throughout the expanded service area based on companies’ needs for FTZ designation. The application indicates that the proposed expanded service area is adjacent to the Kansas City Customs and Border Protection Port of Entry.

The applicant is also requesting to expand its zone to include an additional magnet site: Proposed Site 24 (31.85 acres)—Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska Distribution Center, 27598 Highway F, Holt County.

In accordance with the FTZ Board’s regulations, Camille Evans of the FTZ Staff is designated examiner to evaluate and analyze the facts and information presented in the application and case record and to report findings and recommendations to the FTZ Board.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the FTZ Board’s Executive Secretary and sent to: [ftz@trade.gov](mailto:ftz@trade.gov). The closing period for their receipt is November 19, 2021. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to December 6, 2021.

A copy of the application will be available for public inspection in the “Online FTZ Information Section” section of the FTZ Board’s website, which is accessible via [www.trade.gov/ftz](http://www.trade.gov/ftz). For further information, contact Camille Evans at [Camille.Evans@trade.gov](mailto:Camille.Evans@trade.gov).

Dated: September 15, 2021.

**Andrew McGilvray,**

*Executive Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Bureau of Industry and Security

[Docket No. 210910-0181]

**RIN 0694-XC077**

#### Notice of Request for Public Comments on Risks in the Information Communications Technology Supply Chain

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Industry and Security, Office of Technology Evaluation, U.S. Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comments.

**SUMMARY:** On February 24, 2021, President Biden issued Executive Order 14017 (E.O. 14017) on “America’s Supply Chains,” which directs several federal agency actions to secure and strengthen America’s supply chains. One of these directions is for the Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of Homeland Security, in consultation with the heads of appropriate agencies, to submit, within one year of the date of E.O. 14017, a report on supply chains for critical sectors and subsectors of the information and communications technology (ICT) industrial base (as determined by the Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of

Homeland Security), including the industrial base for the development of ICT software, data, and associated services. This notice requests comments and information from the public to assist the Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of Homeland Security in preparing the report required by E.O. 14017.

**DATES:** The due date for filing comments is November 4, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** *Submissions:* All written comments in response to this notice must be addressed to “Information and Communications Technology Supply Chain” and filed through the Federal eRulemaking Portal: <https://www.regulations.gov>. To submit comments via <https://www.regulations.gov>, enter docket number BIS–2021–0021 on the home page and click “search.” The site will provide a search results page listing all documents associated with this docket. Find the reference to this notice and click on the link entitled “Comment Now!” (For further information on using <https://www.regulations.gov>, please consult the resources provided on the website by clicking on “How to Use This Site.”)

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Maura Weber, Defense Industrial Base Division, Office of Technology Evaluation, Bureau of Industry and Security, at 202–704–8388, [Maura.Weber@bis.doc.gov](mailto:Maura.Weber@bis.doc.gov), or [ICTstudy@bis.doc.gov](mailto:ICTstudy@bis.doc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

On February 24, 2021, President Biden issued Executive Order 14017, “America’s Supply Chains” (86 FR 11849) (E.O. 14017). E.O. 14017 focuses on the need for resilient, diverse, and secure supply chains to ensure U.S. economic prosperity and national security. Such supply chains are needed to address conditions that can reduce critical manufacturing capacity and the availability and integrity of critical goods, products, and services. E.O. 14017 directs that within one year of the date of the order, the Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of Homeland Security, in consultation with the heads of appropriate agencies, shall submit a report to the President through the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs (APNSA) and the Assistant to the President for Economic Policy (APEP), on supply chains for critical sectors and subsectors of the information and communications technology (ICT) industrial base (as determined by the Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of

Homeland Security). For the purposes of this report, the scope of the ICT industrial base shall consist of hardware that enables terrestrial distribution, broadcast/wireless transport, satellite support, data storage to include data center and cloud technologies, and end user devices including home devices such as routers, antennae, and receivers, and mobile devices; “critical” software (as defined by the National Institute of Standards and Technology in relation to Executive Order 14028); and services that have direct dependencies on one or more of the enabling hardware. In developing this report, the Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of Homeland Security will consult with the heads of appropriate agencies and will be advised by all relevant bureaus and components of the Department of Commerce and the Department of Homeland Security. This notice requests comments and information from the public to assist the Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of Homeland Security in preparing the report required by E.O. 14017.

**Written Comments**

The Department of Commerce and the Department of Homeland Security are particularly interested in comments and information directed to the policy objectives listed in E.O. 14017 as they affect the U.S. ICT supply chains, as defined in the previous section, including, but not limited to, the following elements:

- (i) “Critical goods and materials,” as defined in section 6(b) of E.O. 14017, underlying the supply chain in question. Under section 6(b) of E.O. 14017, “critical goods and materials” means goods and raw materials currently defined under statute or regulation as “critical” materials, technologies, or infrastructure;
- (ii) “other essential goods and materials,” as defined in section 6(d) of E.O. 14017, underlying the supply chain in question, including digital products. Under section 6(d) of E.O. 14017, “other essential goods and materials” means those that are essential to national and economic security, emergency preparedness, or to advance the policy set forth in section 1 of E.O. 14017, but not included within the definition of “critical goods and materials”;<sup>1</sup>
- (iii) manufacturing, or other capabilities necessary to produce or supply the materials and services identified in paragraphs (i) and (ii) above, including emerging capabilities;

<sup>1</sup> The Department of Commerce and the Department of Homeland Security are also interested in essential goods and materials essential to incident response and recovery.

(iv) defense, intelligence, cyber, homeland security, health, climate, environmental, natural, market, economic, geopolitical, human-rights or forced-labor risks, or other contingencies that may disrupt, strain, compromise, or eliminate the supply chain—including risks posed by supply chains’ reliance on digital products that may be vulnerable to failures or exploitation, and risks resulting from the elimination of, or failure to develop domestically the capabilities identified in paragraph (iii) above—and that are sufficiently likely to arise so as to require reasonable preparation for their occurrence;

(v) resilience and capacity of American manufacturing supply chains, including ICT design, manufacturing, and distribution, and the industrial base—whether civilian or defense—of the United States to support national and economic security, information security, emergency preparedness, and the policy identified in section 1 of E.O. 14017, in the event any of the contingencies identified in paragraph (iv) above occurs, including an assessment of:

(A) manufacturing or other needed capacities of the United States related to ICT design and manufacturing of products and services, including the ability to modernize to meet future needs;

(B) gaps in domestic design and manufacturing capabilities, including nonexistent, extinct, threatened, or single-point-of failure capabilities;

(C) information and cybersecurity practices and standards of the ICT sector with specific regard to the risks identified in paragraph (iv) above. The Department of Commerce and the Department of Homeland Security are specifically interested in comments related to validation standards of component and software integrity, standards and practices ensuring the availability and integrity of software delivery and maintenance, and security controls during the manufacturing phase of ICT hardware and components;

(D) supply chains with a single point of failure, single or dual suppliers, single region suppliers, highly connected markets or shared suppliers, or limited resilience, especially for subcontractors, as defined by section 44.101 of title 48, Code of Federal Regulations (Federal Acquisition Regulation);

(E) location of key design, manufacturing, software development, integration, and production assets, with any significant risks identified in paragraph (iv) above posed by the

assets' physical location or the distribution of these facilities;

(F) exclusive or dominant supply of "critical goods and materials," and "other essential goods and materials," as identified in paragraphs (i) and (ii) above, by or through nations that are or are likely to become, unfriendly or unstable;

(G) availability of substitutes or alternative sources for "critical goods and materials," and "other essential goods and materials," as identified in paragraphs (i) and (ii) above.

(H) relevant workforce skills, best practices, and identified gaps in the availability and/or adequacy of domestic education and training resources necessary to fulfill future workforce needs;

(I) need for research and development capacity to sustain leadership in the development of services or "critical goods and materials," and "other essential goods and materials," as identified in paragraphs (i) and (ii) above;

(J) role of transportation and transmission systems in supporting existing supply chains and risks associated with those systems; and

(K) risks posed by climate change to the availability, production, transportation, or transmission of "critical goods and materials" and "other essential goods and materials," as identified in paragraphs (i) and (ii) above;

(vi) allied and partner actions, including whether or not the United States' allies and partners have also identified and prioritized the services or "critical goods materials" and "other essential goods and materials" identified in paragraphs (i) and (ii) above, and possible avenues for international engagement;

(vii) primary causes of risks for any aspect of the ICT industrial base and supply chains assessed as vulnerable pursuant to paragraph (v) above;

(viii) prioritization of the "critical goods and materials" and "other essential goods and materials," including digital products, identified in paragraphs (i) and (ii) above for the purpose of identifying options and policy recommendations. The prioritization shall be based on statutory or regulatory requirements; importance to national security, emergency preparedness, and the policy set forth in section 1 of E.O. 14017;

(ix) specific policy recommendations important for ensuring a resilient supply chain for the ICT industrial base. Such recommendations may include, but are not limited to, sustainably reshoring supply chains and developing or

strengthening domestic design, components, and supplies; cooperating with allies and partners to identify alternative supply chains; building redundancy into domestic supply chains; ensuring and enlarging stockpiles; developing workforce capabilities; enhancing access to financing; expanding research and development to broaden supply chains; addressing risks due to vulnerabilities in digital products relied on by supply chains; addressing risks posed by climate change; strengthening supply chain security; and any other recommendations;

(x) any executive, legislative, regulatory, and policy changes and any other actions to strengthen the capabilities identified in paragraph (iii) above, and to prevent, avoid, or prepare for any of the contingencies identified in paragraph (iv) above; and

(xi) suggestions for improving the Government-wide effort to strengthen supply chains, including suggestions for coordinating actions with ongoing efforts that could be considered duplicative of the work of E.O. 14017 or with existing Government mechanisms that could be used to implement E.O. 14017 in a more effective manner.

The Department of Commerce and the Department of Homeland Security encourage commenters, when addressing the elements above, to structure their comments using the specific text as identifiers for the areas of inquiry to which their comments respond. This will assist in more easily reviewing and summarizing the comments received in response to these specific comment areas. For example, a commenter submitting comments responsive to *paragraph (i) above*, would use that exact text—*The "critical goods and materials," as defined in section 6(b) of E.O. 14017, underlying the supply chain in question*—as a heading in the public comment followed by the commenter's specific comments in this area.

#### Requirements for Written Comments

The <https://www.regulations.gov> website allows users to provide comments by filling in a "Type Comment" field, or by attaching a document using an "Upload File" field. The Department of Commerce prefers that comments be provided in an attached document. The Department of Commerce prefers submissions in Microsoft Word (.doc files) or Adobe Acrobat (.pdf files). If the submission is in an application format other than Microsoft Word or Adobe Acrobat, please indicate the name of the application in the "Type Comment"

field. Please do not attach separate cover letters to electronic submissions; rather, include any information that might appear in a cover letter within the comments. Similarly, to the extent possible, please include any exhibits, annexes, or other attachments in the same file, so that the submission consists of one file instead of multiple files. Comments (both public comments and non-confidential versions of comments containing business confidential information) will be placed in the docket and open to public inspection. Comments may be viewed on <https://www.regulations.gov> by entering docket number BIS-2021-0021 in the search field on the home page.

All filers should name their files using the name of the person or entity submitting the comments. Anonymous comments are also accepted.

Communications from agencies of the United States Government will not be made available for public inspection.

Anyone submitting business confidential information should clearly identify the business confidential portion at the time of submission, file a statement justifying nondisclosure and referring to the specific legal authority claimed, and provide a non-confidential version of the submission. The non-confidential version of the submission will be placed in the public file on <https://www.regulations.gov>. For comments submitted electronically containing business confidential information, the file name of the business confidential version should begin with the characters "BC". Any page containing business confidential information must be clearly marked "BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL" on the top of that page. The non-confidential version must be clearly marked "PUBLIC". The file name of the non-confidential version should begin with the character "P". The "BC" and "P" should be followed by the name of the person or entity submitting the comments or rebuttal comments. If a public hearing is held in support of this assessment, a separate **Federal Register** notice will be published providing the date and information about the hearing.

The Bureau of Industry and Security does not maintain a separate public inspection facility. Requesters should first view the Bureau's web page, which can be found at <https://efoia.bis.doc.gov/> (see "Electronic FOIA" heading). If requesters cannot access the website, they may call 202-482-0795 for assistance. The records related to this assessment are made accessible in accordance with the regulations published in part 4 of title 15 of the

Code of Federal Regulations (15 CFR 4.1 through 4.11).

**Matthew S. Borman,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Export Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

#### **Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Surveys for User Satisfaction, Impact and Needs**

The Department of Commerce will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. We invite the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed, and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on July 6, 2021 during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

*Agency:* International Trade Administration, U.S. Commercial Service, Commerce.

*Title:* Domestic and International Client Export Services and Customized Forms.

*OMB Control Number:* 0625–0275.

*Form Number(s):* None.

*Type of Request:* Renewal submission (extension of a current information collection).

*Number of Respondents:* 50,000.

*Average Hours per Response:* .5 (30 minutes).

*Burden Hours:* 33,333 (annual).

*Needs and Uses:* The International Trade Administration provides a multitude of international trade related programs to help U.S. businesses. These programs include information products, services, and trade events. To accomplish its mission effectively, ITA needs ongoing feedback on its programs. This information collection item allows ITA to solicit clients' opinions about the use of ITA products, services, and trade events. To promote optimal use and provide focused and effective improvements to ITA programs, we are requesting approval for this clearance

package; including: use of Comment Cards (*i.e.* transactional-based surveys) to collect feedback immediately after ITA assistance is provided to clients; use of annual surveys (*i.e.*, relationship-based surveys) to gauge overall satisfaction, impact and needs for clients with ITA assistance provided over a period time; use of multiple data collection methods (*i.e.*, web-enabled surveys sent via email, telephone interviews, automated telephone surveys, and in-person surveys via mobile devices/laptops/tablets at trade events/shows) to enable clients to conveniently respond to requests for feedback; and a forecast of burden hours. Without this information, ITA is unable to systematically determine the actual and relative levels of performance for its programs and products/services and to provide clear, actionable insights for managerial intervention. This information will be used for program evaluation and improvement, strategic planning, allocation of resources and stakeholder reporting.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Voluntary.

*Legal Authority:* Public Law 15 U.S.C. *et seq.* and 15 U.S.C. 171 *et seq.*

This information collection request may be viewed at [www.reginfo.gov](http://www.reginfo.gov). Follow the instructions to view the Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function and entering either the title of the collection or the OMB Control Number 0625–0275.

**Sheleen Dumas,**

*Department PRA Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Commerce Department.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

#### **Civil Nuclear Trade Advisory Committee**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of an open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed topics for a meeting of the Civil Nuclear Trade Advisory Committee (CINTAC).

**DATES:** The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 30, 2021, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT). The deadline for members of the public to register to participate, including requests to make comments during the meeting and for auxiliary aids, or to submit written comments for dissemination prior to the meeting, is 5:00 p.m. EDT on Friday, September 24, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held virtually via Microsoft Teams. Requests to register to participate (including to speak or for auxiliary aids) and any written comments should be submitted via email to Mr. Jonathan Chesebro, Office of Energy & Environmental Industries, International Trade Administration, at [jonathan.chesebro@trade.gov](mailto:jonathan.chesebro@trade.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Jonathan Chesebro, Office of Energy & Environmental Industries, International Trade Administration (Phone: 202–482–1297; email: [jonathan.chesebro@trade.gov](mailto:jonathan.chesebro@trade.gov)).

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Background:* The CINTAC was established under the discretionary authority of the Secretary of Commerce and in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), in response to an identified need for consensus advice from U.S. industry to the U.S. Government regarding the development and administration of programs to expand United States exports of civil nuclear goods and services in accordance with applicable U.S. laws and regulations, including advice on how U.S. civil nuclear goods and services export policies, programs, and activities will affect the U.S. civil nuclear industry's competitiveness and ability to participate in the international market.

The Department of Commerce renewed the CINTAC charter on August 5, 2020. This meeting is being convened under the seventh charter of the CINTAC.

On September 30, 2021, the CINTAC will hold the third meeting of its current charter term. The Committee, with officials from the U.S. Department of Commerce and other agencies, will discuss major issues affecting the competitiveness of the U.S. civil nuclear energy industry and discuss proposed recommendations and potential priorities for future subcommittee work.