

accordance with Section 8005 of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (Pub. L. 110-246).

#### **Nomination and Application Information for the Forest Resource Coordinating Committee**

The appointment of members to the Committee will be made by the Secretary of Agriculture. Any individual or organization may nominate one or more qualified persons to represent the vacancies listed above to serve on the Forest Resource Coordinating Committee. To be considered for membership, nominees must:

1. Identify what vacancy they would represent and how they are qualified to represent that vacancy;
2. State why they want to serve on the committee and what they can contribute;
3. Show their past experience in working successfully as part of a coordinating group; and
4. Complete form AD-755, Advisory Committee Membership Background Information.

Letters of recommendation are welcome. Individuals may also nominate themselves. Form AD-755 may be obtained from Forest Service contact persons or from the following Web site: [http://www.fsa.usda.gov/Internet/FSA\\_File/ad755.pdf](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/Internet/FSA_File/ad755.pdf). All nominations will be vetted by the Agency. The Secretary of Agriculture shall appoint committee members to the Forest Resource Coordinating Committee from list of qualified applicants. Applicants are strongly encouraged to submit nominations via overnight mail or delivery to ensure timely receipt by the USDA.

Non-Federal members of the Committee shall serve without pay, but will be reimbursed for reasonable costs incurred while performing duties on behalf of the Committee.

Equal opportunity practices, in line with USDA policies, will be followed in all appointments to the Committee. To ensure that the recommendation of the Committee has taken into account the needs of the diverse groups served by the Department, membership includes, to the extent practicable, individuals with demonstrated ability to represent minorities, women, persons with disabilities, and senior citizens.

Dated: December 15, 2008.

**Boyd K Rutherford,**

*Assistant Secretary for Administration.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

### **Foreign-Trade Zones Board**

(Docket 69-2008)

#### **Foreign-Trade Zone 149 Port Freeport, Texas, Application for Expansion**

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by Port Freeport, grantee of FTZ 149, requesting authority to expand FTZ 149 to include a site in Fort Bend County, Texas. 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 December 11, 2008.

FTZ 149 was approved on June 28, 1988 (Board Order 385, 53 FR 26096, July 11, 1988), and expanded on August 7, 2001 (Board Order 1185, 66 F.R. 42994, August 16, 2001). The zone currently consists of 10 sites (3,590 acres): Site 1 (280 acres)--on F.M. Route 1495 at the Freeport Harbor on the west side of the Brazos River Harbor Channel; Site 2 (154 acres)--on Holly Street in Quintana, south of the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway; Site 3 (1,063 acres)--at the intersection of Highway 288 and F.M. Route 1495; Site 4 (242 acres)--on F.M. Route 1495, north of the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway and south of the Brazos River Harbor Channel; Site 5 (213 acres)--on County Road 723 south of Site 4 and the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway; Site 6 (146 acres) located within the 665-acre Brazoria County Airport; Site 7 (506 acres)--Northern Industrial Complex, adjacent to Highway 35, Pearland (Brazoria County); Site 8 (832 acres)--Southern Industrial Complex, 4 miles from the Sam Houston Parkway/Beltway 8, Pearland (Brazoria County); Site 9 (146 acres)--Bybee--Sterling Complex, Hooper Road and Sam Houston Parkway, Pearland (Harris County); and, Site 10 (8 acres)--Santa Fe Industrial Park, 200 Avenue I, Alvin (Brazoria County).

The applicant is now requesting authority to expand the zone to include a site in Fort Bend County: Proposed Site 11 (340 acres)--International Industrial Park, 10925 Highway 59 between Beasley and Kendleton. The site will provide warehousing and distribution services to area businesses. No specific manufacturing authority is being requested at this time. Such requests would be made to the Board on a case-by-case basis.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, Elizabeth Whiteman of the FTZ Staff is designated examiner to

investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment 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 February 20, 2009. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to March 9, 2009.

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, 1919 Smith Street, Suite 1026, Houston, Texas 77002. Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 2111, 1401 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20230.

For further information, contact Elizabeth Whiteman at [Elizabeth\\_Whiteman@ita.doc.gov](mailto:Elizabeth_Whiteman@ita.doc.gov) or (202) 482-0473.

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**Andrew McGilvray,**

*Executive Secretary.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

### **Foreign-Trade Zones Board**

Docket 64-2008

#### **Foreign-Trade Zone 8 - Toledo, Ohio Area, Application for Expansion**

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board (the Board) by the Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority, grantee of FTZ 8, requesting authority to expand Site 1 at the Port of Toledo complex, within the Toledo/Sandusky Customs and Border Protection 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 December 2, 2008.

FTZ 8 was approved by the Board on October 11, 1960 (Board Order 51, 25 FR 9909, 10/15/60) and expanded on January 22, 1973 (Board Order 92, 38 FR 3015, 1/31/73); on January 11, 1985 (Board Order 277, 50 FR 2702, 1/18/85); on August 19, 1991 (Board Order 532, 56 FR 42026, 8/26/91); on June 12, 2000 (Board Order 1102, 65 FR 37960, 6/19/00); on June 7, 2002 (Board Order 1231, 67 FR 41393, 6/18/02); and, on August

23, 2005 (Board Order 1408, 70 FR 51335, 8/30/05). The general-purpose zone project currently consists of six sites in the Toledo area: *Site 1*: (150 acres) - Overseas Cargo Center within the Port of Toledo complex; *Site 2*: (337 acres) - Toledo Express Airport, Swanton; *Site 3*: (10 acres) - First Choice Packaging warehouse, 1501 West State Street, Fremont; *Site 4*: (462 acres) - Cedar Point Development Park, Oregon; *Site 5*: (205 acres) Ohio Northern Global Distribution and Business Center, Walbridge; and, *Site 6*: (86 acres) at the Greenbelt Development Park, Toledo, Ohio.

The applicant is now requesting authority to expand Site 1 to include the Ironville Terminal (182 acres) located adjacent to the Overseas Cargo Center within the Port of Toledo Complex. The site was recently acquired by the Toledo Lucas County Port Authority and will be operated by Midwest Terminals of Toledo.

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, Claudia Hausler of the FTZ Staff is designated examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment 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 February 20, 2009. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to March 9, 2009).

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, 300 Madison Avenue, Suite 270, Toledo, Ohio 43604

Office of the Executive Secretary,  
Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S.  
Department of Commerce, Room  
2111, 1401 Constitution Avenue,  
NW, Washington, DC 20230

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Dated: December 4, 2008.

**Andrew McGilvray,**  
*Executive Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

(Docket 68-2008)

#### **Foreign-Trade Zone 82 Mobile, Alabama, Expansion of Manufacturing Authority, Sony Electronics Inc.(Digital Print Media Products), Dothan, Alabama**

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by Sony Electronics Inc. (Sony), operator of Subzone 82D, requesting an expansion of the scope of manufacturing authority approved within Subzone 82D in Dothan, Alabama. 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 December 11, 2008.

Subzone 82D (414 employees) was approved by the Board on April 19, 1996 for the manufacture of unrecorded magnetic media and battery systems (Board Order 816, 61 FR 18547, 4/26/1996). The subzone consists of four sites in Dothan, Alabama: Site 1 (74 acres) - 4275 Main Street; Site 2 (3.3 acres) - 135 Woodburn Drive; Site 3 (1.6 acres) - 921 Tate Drive; and, Site 4: 120,000 square feet on 3 acres located at 4106 Napier Front Road.

The current request involves the addition of digital print media products to the scope of authority for the subzone. Components and materials sourced from abroad (representing 62% of the value of the finished product) include: ultraviolet absorber, friction control lubricants, ribbons, binders, resin, curing agents, cleaning paper, plastic bags, spools, print media and tags (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 6.5%).

FTZ procedures could exempt Sony from customs duty payments on the foreign components used in export production of digital print media. The company anticipates that some 25 percent of the production will be exported. On its domestic sales, Sony would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to finished digital print media products (duty-free) for the foreign inputs noted above. The request indicates that the savings from FTZ procedures help improve the plant's international competitiveness.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, Elizabeth Whiteman of the FTZ Staff is designated examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment 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 February 20, 2009. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to March 9, 2009.

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

Office of the City Clerk, City of  
Mobile, 9th Floor, South Tower,  
Government Plaza, 205 Government  
Street, Mobile, AL 36602.

Office of the Executive Secretary,  
Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S.  
Department of Commerce, Room  
2111, 1401 Constitution Ave. NW,  
Washington, DC 20230.

For further information, contact  
Elizabeth Whiteman at  
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**Andrew McGilvray,**  
*Executive Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

Order No. 1597

#### **Grant of Authority for Subzone Status, Amgen Manufacturing Limited (Biotechnology and Healthcare Products), Juncos, Puerto Rico**

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 Foreign-Trade Zones Act provides for "...the establishment... of foreign-trade zones in ports of entry of the United States, to expedite and encourage foreign commerce, and for other purposes," and authorizes the Foreign-Trade Zones Board to grant to qualified corporations the privilege of establishing foreign-trade zones in or adjacent to U.S. Customs and Border Protection ports of entry;

*Whereas*, the Board's regulations (15 CFR Part 400) provide for the establishment of special-purpose subzones when existing zone facilities cannot serve the specific use involved, and when the activity results in a significant public benefit and is in the public interest;