

Campbell Library, 2219 Bainbridge Street La Crosse, WI 54603, Phone: 608-783-0052.

Cannon Falls Library, 306 West Mill Street Cannon Falls, MN 55009, Phone: 507-263-2804.

Dairyland Power Cooperative, 500 Old State Highway 35, Alma, WI 54610, Phone: 608-685-4497.

Galesville Public Library, 16787 South Main Street Galesville, WI 54630, Phone: 608-582-2552.

Holmen Area Library, 103 State Street Holmen, WI 54636, Phone: 608-526-4198.

Kenyon Public Library, 709 2nd Street Kenyon, MN 55946, Phone: 507-789-6821.

Riverland Energy Cooperative, N28988 State Road 93, Arcadia, WI 54612, Phone: 608-323-3381.

Rochester Public Library, 101 2nd Street SE., Rochester, MN 55904, Phone: 507-328-2300.

Shirley M. Wright Memorial Library, 11455 Fremont Street Trempealeau, WI 54661, Phone: 608-534-6197.

Tri-County Electric, 31110 Cooperative Way, Rushford, MN 55971, Phone: 507-864-7783.

La Crosse Public Library, 800 Main Street La Crosse, WI 54601, Phone: 608-789-7100.

Onalaska Public Library, 741 Oak Avenue South, Onalaska, WI 54650, Phone: 608-781-9568.

People's Cooperative Services, 3935 Hwy 14 E, Rochester, MN 55903, Phone: 507-288-4004.

Plainview Public Library, 345 1st Avenue Northwest, Plainview, MN 55964, Phone: 507-534-3425.

Van Horn Public Library, 115 SE 3rd Street Pine Island, MN 55963, Phone: 507-356-8558.

Xcel Energy, 5050 Service Drive Winona, MN 55987, Phone: 507-457-1236.

Xcel Energy, 1414 West Hamilton Avenue Eau Claire, WI 54701, Phone: 715-839-2621.

Zumbrota Public Library, 100 West Avenue Zumbrota, MN 55992, Phone: 507-732-5211.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To obtain copies of the Draft EIS, to comment on the Draft EIS, or for further information, contact: Stephanie Strength, Environmental Protection Specialist, USDA, Rural Utilities Service, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Room 2244, Stop 1571, Washington, DC 20250-1571, or email stephanie.strength@wdc.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) are participating in the EIS as

cooperating agencies, with RUS as the lead Federal agency. The Draft EIS addresses the construction and operation of the Proposed project, which, in addition to the 345-kV transmission line and associated infrastructure, includes 161-kV transmission lines in the vicinity of Rochester, Minnesota; construction of two new and expansion of three substations, with a total transmission line length of approximately 150 miles. Counties through which the proposed project may pass include Dakota, Goodhue, Wabasha, and Olmsted in Minnesota, and La Crosse, Trempealeau, and Buffalo in Wisconsin. The Draft EIS also addresses rebuilding an existing Dairyland 39-mile long 161 kV line that extends from Alma to north La Crosse, Wisconsin, which may be co-located in whole or in part with the 345-kV line.

Among the alternatives addressed in the Draft EIS is the No Action alternative, under which the proposed project would not be undertaken. Additional alternatives addressed in the Draft EIS include route alternatives also considered in the EISs prepared for the Proposed project by the states of Minnesota and Wisconsin. RUS has carefully studied public health and safety, environmental impacts, and engineering aspects of the Proposed project.

RUS used input provided by government agencies, private organizations, and the public in the preparation of the Draft EIS. RUS will prepare a Final EIS that considers all comments received on the Draft EIS. Following the 30-day comment period for the Final EIS, RUS will prepare a Record of Decision (ROD). Notices announcing the availability of the Final EIS and the ROD will be published in the **Federal Register** and in local newspapers.

In accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and its implementing regulation, "Protection of Historic Properties" (36 CFR part 800) and as part of its broad environmental review process, RUS must take into account the effect of the proposed project on historic properties. Pursuant to 36 CFR 800.2(d)(3), RUS is using its procedures for public involvement under NEPA to meet its responsibilities to solicit and consider the views of the public during Section 106 review. Any party wishing to participate more directly with RUS as a "consulting party" in Section 106 review may submit a written request to the RUS contact provided in this notice.

The proposed project involves unavoidable impacts to wetlands and floodplains; this Notice of Availability

also serves as a statement of no practicable alternatives to impacts on wetlands and floodplains, in accordance with Executive Orders 11990 and 11988, respectively (see Draft EIS Sections 3.2 and 3.5).

Any final action by RUS related to the proposed project will be subject to, and contingent upon, compliance with all relevant Federal, State and local environmental laws and regulations, and completion of the environmental review requirements as promulgated in RUS' Environmental Policies and Procedures (7 CFR part 1794).

Nivin Elgohary,

Assistant Administrator, Electric Programs, Rural Utilities Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 3-2012]

Foreign-Trade Zone 18—San Jose, CA, Application for Subzone, Tesla Motors, Inc. (Electric Passenger Vehicles), Palo Alto and Fremont, CA

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the City of San Jose, California, grantee of FTZ 18, requesting special purpose subzone status for the electric passenger-vehicle manufacturing facilities of Tesla Motors, Inc. (Tesla), located in Palo Alto and Fremont, California. 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 January 10, 2012.

The Tesla facilities (currently employing over 1,000 workers) consist of two sites: Site 1 (25.2 acres)—corporate headquarters, research and development, and manufacturing plant, located at 3500 Deer Creek Road, Palo Alto, California; and, Site 2 (210 acres)—manufacturing plant, located at 45550 Fremont Boulevard, Fremont, California. The facilities are used to manufacture electric passenger vehicles and related components, including battery packs, powertrain systems, and electronic modules (up to 200,000 units of each per year) for commercial sale. Components and materials sourced from abroad (representing 16 to 55% of the value of the finished products) include: Oils, greases, fluids, refrigerants, adhesives, sealants, anti-freeze/coolants, alcohols, plastic tubes/pipes/hoses/

fittings, foam tape/sheets/film, decals/ballotini, labels, knobs, handles, motors, pump parts, mechanical seals, plastic o-rings/clips, rubber o-rings/seals/grommets/washers/bushings and hoses, windshield wiper blades, floor mats, mirrors, glass, windshields and related trim pieces, shafts, flanges, base metal mountings, locks, motor and shaft couplings, pumps, compressors, body moldings and trim, latches, HVAC components, blower motors, valves, fasteners, electric motors, lithium-ion batteries, electrical assemblies, lamps and lighting equipment, electronic components, antennas, sensors, control modules, cables, switches, wiring harnesses, audio/video systems, loudspeakers, body panels, suspension components, shock absorbers, anti-roll bars, subframes assemblies, steering gear, carpet sets, interior trim, consoles, instruments, brake systems and parts, electric powertrain components, road wheels, tires, couplings, shafts, seats, coatings, paints, and pedals (duty rates range from free to 8.5%, 1.3¢/kg+5.7%).

FTZ procedures could exempt Tesla from customs duty payments on the foreign components used in export production. The company anticipates that 40 to 65 percent of the facilities' shipments will be exported. On its domestic sales, Tesla would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to finished electric passenger vehicles, battery packs, powertrain components, and electronic modules (free–3.4%) for the foreign inputs noted above. FTZ designation would further allow Tesla to realize logistical benefits through the use of weekly customs entry procedures. Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign status production equipment. Tesla would also be exempt from duty payments on foreign inputs that become scrap during the production process. The request indicates that the savings from FTZ procedures would help improve the facilities' international competitiveness.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, Pierre Duy 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 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 March 19, 2012. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to April 2, 2012.

A copy of the application will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 2111, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230–0002, and in the "Reading Room" section of the Board's Web site, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

For further information, contact Pierre Duy at Pierre.Duy@trade.gov or (202) 482–1378.

Dated: January 10, 2012.

Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Firearms Convention

AGENCY: Bureau of Industry and Security, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before March 19, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at Jjessup@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Larry Hall, BIS ICB Liaison, (202) 482–4895, Lawrence.Hall@bis.doc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

This collection implements certain provisions of the Inter-American Convention Against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms Ammunition, Explosives, and Other Related Materials (Firearms Convention). Sections 742.17 and 748.14 of the Export Administration

Regulations (EAR) require exporters of certain firearms to Organization of American States (OAS) countries to obtain an Import Certificate from the government of the importing country. This alerts the OAS country of the proposed import and helps insure compliance with the Firearms Convention.

II. Method of Collection

Submitted electronically or on paper.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0694–0114.

Form Number(s): N/A.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 970.

Estimated Time per Response: 30 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 485.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$0.

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 shall 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 submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: January 10, 2012.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

Sensors and Instrumentation Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Partially Closed Meeting

The Sensors and Instrumentation Technical Advisory Committee (SITAC)