to at least 20 percent of the grant to the Intermediary.

C. Other Eligibility Requirements

Applications will only be accepted for projects that promote rural economic development and job creation.

D. Completeness Eligibility

Applications will not be considered for funding if they do not provide sufficient information to determine eligibility or are missing required elements.

IV. Fiscal Year 2009 Application and Submission Information

A. Address To Request Application Package

For further information, entities wishing to apply for assistance should contact the Rural Development State Office identified in this NOFA to obtain copies of the application package.

Applicants are encouraged to submit applications through the Grants.gov Web site at: http://www.grants.gov.
Applications may be submitted in either electronic or paper format. Users of Grants.gov will be able to download a copy of the application package, complete it off line, and then upload and submit the application via the Grants.gov Web site. Applications may not be submitted by electronic mail.

- When you enter the Grants.gov Web site, you will find information about submitting an application electronically through the site as well as the hours of operation. USDA Rural Development strongly recommends that you do not wait until the application deadline date to begin the application process through Grants.gov. To use Grants.gov, applicants must have a Dun and Bradstreet Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number which can be obtained at no cost via a toll-free request line at 1–866–705–5711.
- You may submit all documents electronically through the Web site, including all information typically included on the application for REDLGs and all necessary assurances and certifications.
- After electronically submitting an application through the Web site, the applicant will receive an automatic acknowledgement from Grants.gov that contains a Grants.gov tracking number.
- USDA Rural Development may request that the applicant provide original signatures on forms at a later date.
- If applicants experience technical difficulties on the closing date and are unable to meet the deadline, you may submit a paper copy of your application

to your respective Rural Development State Office. Paper applications submitted to a Rural Development State Office must meet the closing date and local time deadline.

Please note that applicants must locate the downloadable application package for this program by the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number or FedGrants Funding Opportunity Number, which can be found at http://www.grants.gov. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the information collection requirement contained in this Notice is approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under OMB Control Number 0570–0024.

B. Content and Form of Submission

An application must contain all of the required elements. Each selection priority criterion outlined in 7 CFR 4280.42(b), must be addressed in the application. Failure to address any of the criteria will result in a zero-point score for that criterion and will impact the overall evaluation of the application. Copies of 7 CFR part 4280, subpart A, will be provided to any interested applicant making a request to a Rural Development State Office listed in this notice.

C. Submission Dates and Times

Application Deadline Dates: First Quarter, September 30, 2008, Second Quarter, December 31, 2008, Third Quarter, March 31, 2009, and Fourth Quarter, June 30, 2009.

Explanation of Deadlines: Applications must be in the Rural Development State Office by the deadline dates as indicated above.

V. Application Review Information

The National Office will score applications based on the grant selection criteria and weights contained in 7 CFR part 4280, subpart A and will select an Intermediary subject to the Intermediary's satisfactory submission of the additional items required by 7 CFR part 4280, subpart A and the USDA Rural Development Letter of Conditions.

VI. Award Administration Information

A. Award Notices

Successful applicants will receive notification for funding from the Rural Development State Office. Applicants must comply with all applicable statutes and regulations before the loan/grant award will be approved. Provided the application requirements have not changed, an application not selected will be reconsidered in three subsequent funding competitions for a total of four competitions. If an application is

withdrawn, it can be resubmitted and will be evaluated as a new application.

B. Administrative and National Policy Requirements

Additional requirements that apply to Intermediary's selected for this program can be found in the 7 CFR part 4280, subpart A.

VII. Agency Contacts

For general questions about this announcement, please contact your Rural Development State Office identified in this NOFA.

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Dated: December 16, 2008.

Ben Anderson,

 $Administrator, Rural\ Business-Cooperative \\ Service.$

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ARCHITECTURAL AND TRANSPORTATION BARRIERS COMPLIANCE BOARD

Meetings

AGENCY: Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: The Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (Access Board) plans to hold its regular committee and Board meetings in Washington, DC, Monday through Wednesday, January 12–14, 2009, at the times and location noted below.

DATES: The schedule of events is as follows:

Monday, January 12, 2009

10–11 a.m. Technical Programs Committee.

11-Noon Budget Committee. 1:30-5 p.m. Ad Hoc Committee Meetings (Closed to Public).

Tuesday, January 13, 2009

9-5 p.m. Strategic Planning Meeting (Closed to Public).

Wednesday, January 14, 2009

9-Noon Ad Hoc Committee Meetings, Contd. (Closed to Public). 1:30-3 p.m. Board Meeting.

ADDRESSES: All meetings will be held at the Embassy Suites DC Convention Center Hotel, 900 10th Street, NW., Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information regarding the meetings, please contact David Capozzi, Executive Director, (202) 272-0010 (voice) and (202) 272-0082 (TTY).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: At the Board meeting, the Access Board will consider the following agenda items:

- New Public Board Members; Swearing-in Ceremony
- Approval of the draft November 2008 Board Meeting Minutes
- ADA/ABA Accessibility Guidelines; Federal Agency Updates
- Technical Programs Committee Report
 - Budget Committee Report
- Information and Communications Technologies Ad Hoc Committee Report
- Transportation Vehicles Ad Hoc Committee Report
- Outdoor Developed Areas Ad Hoc Committee Report
- Passenger Vessels Ad Hoc Committee Report
- Public Rights-of-Way Ad Hoc Committee Report
- Airport Terminal Access Ad Hoc Committee Report
- Accessible Design in Education Ad Hoc Committee Report
- Acoustics Ad Hoc Committee Report
- Election Assistance Commission Report

All meetings are accessible to persons with disabilities. An assistive listening system, computer assisted real-time transcription (CART), and sign language interpreters will be available at the Board meeting. Persons attending Board meetings are requested to refrain from using perfume, cologne, and other

fragrances for the comfort of other participants.

David M. Capozzi,

Executive Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 70-2008]

Foreign-Trade Zone 25—Port Everglades, FL; Application for Reorganization/Expansion

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Port Everglades Department of Broward County, Florida, grantee of FTZ 25, requesting authority to expand and reorganize its zone in Broward County, Florida, within the Port Everglades CBP port of entry. The application was submitted pursuant to the provisions of the Foreign-Trade Zones Act (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 25 was approved by the Board on December 27, 1976 (Board Order 113, 42) FR 61; 1/3/77), and expanded on August 11, 1978 (Board Order 132, 43 FR 36989, 8/21/78); October 10, 1991 (Board Order 537, 56 FR 52510, 10/21/91); and, March 18, 2005 (Board Order 1382, 70 FR 15836, 3/29/05). The applicant is now requesting authority to reorganize and expand the zone, reinstate acreage previously deleted, and make permanent several temporary sites. The zone, as proposed, would consist of the following sites in Broward County, Florida:

Site 1: (142 acres total within Port Everglades)—82 acres at 3400; 50 acres at 3401; and 10 acres at 4401 McIntosh Road, Hollywood Site 2: (14 acres total) at 2501/2525/ 2555/2600 Davie Road, Davie Site 3: (69 acres total within the Miramar Commerce Park) 39 acres at 9786/9850/9900/10044 Premier Parkway; and 30 acres at 2700/2701 Executive Way and 10301/10431 N. Commerce Parkway, Miramar Site 4: (18 acres) 2696 NW 31st Avenue, Lauderdale Lakes

Site 5: (37 acres) 2650 SW 145th Avenue, Miramar

Site 6: (26 acres) 3200 West Oakland Park Boulevard, Lauderdale Lakes Site 7: (1 acre) 35 SW 12th Avenue, Dania Beach

Site 8: (9 acres) 2200-2300 SW 45th Street, Dania Beach

Site 9: (6 acres) 375 NW 9th Avenue, Dania Beach

Site 10: (13 acres) 3435-3699 NW 19th Street, Lauderdale Lakes

Site 11: (52 acres) 1141 South Andrews Avenue, Pompano Beach

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 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 February 27, 2009. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to March 16, 2009.

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

U.S. Department of Commerce Export Assistance Center, 200 East Las Olas Boulevard, Suite 1600, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301.

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 Claudia Hausler at Claudia Hausler@ita.doc.gov or (202) 482 - 1379.

Dated: December 12, 2008.

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.

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