

governmental organizations. Nominees will be evaluated consistent with factors specified in this notice and their ability to carry out the goals of NACIE.

Self-nominations will be accepted.

Appointments will be made without regard to political affiliation.

**Membership.** Members shall serve at the discretion of the Secretary. Because members will be appointed as experts, members will be considered special government employees (SGEs). Members participating in NACIE meetings and events will be responsible for their travel, living, and other personal expenses. Meetings will be held regularly and not less than twice annually, usually in Washington, DC. Members are required to attend a majority of NACIE's meetings. For the first meeting of the Council, members may be required to arrive one day early for onboarding and orientation activities.

**Eligibility.** Eligibility for membership is limited to (i) U.S. citizens who are not full-time employees of the United States government or of a foreign government; (ii) are not required to register with the Department of Justice as a foreign agent under the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, and (iii) are not federally-registered lobbyists.

**Application Procedure.** For consideration, a nominee should submit:

- (1) Name and title of the individual requesting consideration;
- (2) the applicant's personal resume and short bio (fewer than 300 words);
- (3) a personal statement of interest including an outline of one's abilities to advise the Secretary on the matters described above;

(4) confirmation that the applicant meets all eligibility criteria, including a signed affirmative statement that the applicant is:

- (i) A U.S. citizen who is not a full-time employee of the United States government or of a foreign government;
- (ii) not required to register with the Department of Justice as a foreign agent under the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended; and
- (iii) not a federally-registered lobbyist; and

(5) all relevant contact information, including mailing address, email address, phone number, and support staff information where relevant.

Applications must be submitted via email to [nacie@doc.gov](mailto:nacie@doc.gov) with a subject line that includes the text "[NACIEApplication]" (without quotation marks).

Appointments of members to NACIE will be made by the Secretary.

Dated: August 31, 2021.

**Craig Buerstatte,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Regional Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B-61-2021]

#### **Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 261— Alexandria, Louisiana, Notification of Proposed Production Activity, Avant Organics LLC (Specialty Chemicals), Alexandria, Louisiana**

Avant Organics LLC (Avant) submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board (the Board) for its facility in Alexandria, Louisiana, under FTZ 261. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on September 1, 2021.

Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), FTZ production activity would be limited to the specific foreign-status material(s)/ component(s) and specific finished product(s) described in the submitted notification (summarized below) and subsequently authorized by the Board. The benefits that may stem from conducting production activity under FTZ procedures are explained in the background section of the Board's website—accessible via [www.trade.gov/ftz](http://www.trade.gov/ftz).

The proposed finished products include: 4-methoxy-2,5-dimethylfuran-3-one; 5-Methyl-2-phenyl-2-hexenal; Phenyl Acetaldehyde 50% in Phenyl Ethyl Alcohol; and, Esiferane—2,5-dimethyl-4-ethoxy-e(2H)-Furanone (duty rate ranges from free to 5.5%).

The proposed foreign-status materials and components include: 4-Hydroxy-2,5-dimethyl-3(2H)-Furanone; Methylcyclopentenolone; Phenethyl Alcohol; and, 2-Trans,4-Trans-decadialenol (duty rate ranges from 4.8% to 6.5%). The request indicates that certain materials/components are subject to duties under Section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 (Section 301), depending on the country of origin. The applicable Section 301 decisions require subject merchandise to be admitted to FTZs in privileged foreign status (19 CFR 146.41).

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary and sent to: [ftz@trade.gov](mailto:ftz@trade.gov). The closing period for their receipt is October 18, 2021.

A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection in the "Online FTZ Information System" section of the Board's website.

For further information, contact Diane Finver at [Diane.Finver@trade.gov](mailto:Diane.Finver@trade.gov).

Dated: September 2, 2021.

**Andrew McGilvray,**

*Executive Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B-38-2021]

#### **Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 134— Chattanooga, Tennessee, Authorization of Production Activity, Volkswagen Group of America Chattanooga Operations, LLC (Passenger Motor Vehicles), Chattanooga, Tennessee**

On May 6, 2021, Volkswagen Group of America Chattanooga Operations, LLC submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facility within FTZ 134, in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

The notification was processed in accordance with the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR part 400), including notice in the **Federal Register** inviting public comment (86 FR 26460, May 14, 2021). On September 3, 2021, the applicant was notified of the FTZ Board's decision that no further review of the activity is warranted at this time. The production activity described in the notification was authorized, subject to the FTZ Act and the FTZ Board's regulations, including Section 400.14.

Dated: September 3, 2021.

**Andrew McGilvray,**

*Executive Secretary.*

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