

Dated: March 14, 1996.

John J. Da Ponte, Jr.,

Executive Secretary.

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[Docket 21-96]

Foreign-Trade Zone 40, Cleveland, Ohio; Application for Expansion

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Cleveland-Cuyahoga County Port Authority (Port Authority), grantee of FTZ 40, requesting authority to expand its zone in Cleveland, Ohio, within the Cleveland Customs 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 March 12, 1996.

FTZ 40 was approved on September 29, 1978 (Board Order 135, 43 FR 46886; 10/11/78), and expanded in June 1982 (Board Order 194, 47 FR 27579; 6/25/82) and April 1992 (Board Order 574, 57 FR 13694; 4/17/92). The zone project currently consists of two sites in the Cleveland, Ohio, area: *Site 1*: (94 acres)—Port of Cleveland complex on Lake Erie at the mouth of the Cuyahoga River in Cleveland; and, *Site 2*: (175 acres)—the IX Center (formerly, the "Cleveland Tank Plant"), in Brook Park, Ohio, adjacent to Cleveland Hopkins International Airport.

The applicant is now requesting authority to expand the zone to include 2 sites within the City of Cleveland: *Proposed Site 3* (1,900 acres)—Cleveland Hopkins International Airport complex; *Proposed Site 4* (450 acres)—Burke Lakefront Airport, located at 1501 North Marginal Road. Both airports are owned and operated by the City of Cleveland.

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, a member of the FTZ Staff has been designated examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment (original and 3 copies) 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 May 24, 1996. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to June 10, 1996).

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, District Office, Bank One Center, 600 Superior Avenue, Suite 700, Cleveland, Ohio 44114.

Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 3716, 14th & Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230.

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[Docket 23-96]

Foreign-Trade Zone 207, Richmond, Virginia, Application for Subzone Status; Abbott Manufacturing, Inc., Plant (Infant Formula, Adult Nutritional Products), Altavista, VA

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Capital Region Airport Commission, grantee of FTZ 207, requesting special-purpose subzone status for export activity at the infant formula and adult nutritional products manufacturing plant of Abbott Manufacturing, Inc. (AMI) (a subsidiary of Abbott Laboratories, Inc.), located in Altavista, Virginia. 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 March 12, 1996.

The AMI plant (1,000,000 sq. ft. on 215 acres) is located at U.S. Highway 29 North and State Route 711 in the City of Altavista (Campbell County), Virginia, approximately 20 miles south of Lynchburg, Virginia. The facility (650 employees) is used to produce milk and sugar-based infant formula and adult nutritional products for export and the domestic market; however, zone procedures would be used only for production for export. The production process involves blending foreign, ex-quota milk powder and foreign, ex-quota sugar with domestically-sourced oils, soy isolates, vitamins and minerals, and EZO ends. Other foreign-sourced items that may be used in the export-blending activity include: cocoa powder, pharmaceutical grade fat emulsions, vitamins and minerals, and caseinates (up to 14% of finished product value). All foreign-origin milk and sugar would be re-exported as

ingredients in finished blended products.

Zone procedures would exempt AMI from quota requirements and Customs duty payments on the foreign milk and sugar products used in the export activity, and they would also exempt the company from Customs duty payments on the other foreign ingredients involved. The application indicates that subzone status would help improve the plant's international competitiveness.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, a member of the FTZ Staff has been designated examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment on the application is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and three copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is May 24, 1996. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to June 10, 1996).

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

U.S. Department of Commerce, District Office, 700 Centre, Suite 550, 704 East Franklin Street, Richmond, VA 23219.
Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 3716, 14th Street & Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230-0002.

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Executive Secretary.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 27, 1996.

LOCATION: Room 420, East West Towers, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland.

STATUS: Open to the Public.

Matter To Be Considered

Charcoal Labeling

The staff will brief the Commission on a draft final rule that would revise the label currently required by the Commission's regulations for packages of charcoal. The label addresses the hazard of inhalation of

carbon monoxide that collects when charcoal is burned in confined areas.

For a recorded message containing the latest agenda information, call (301) 504-0709.

CONTACT PERSON FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Sadye E. Dunn, Office of the Secretary, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20207 (301) 504-0800.

Dated: March 19, 1996.

Sadye E. Dunn,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Intent To Compromise Two Audit Claims Against Connecticut State Board of Education

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of intent to compromise two audit claims.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Education (the Department) intends to compromise two audit claims against the Connecticut State Board of Education (Connecticut) now pending before the Office of Administrative Law Judges (OALJ). Docket Nos. 92-53-R and 94-68-R (20 U.S.C. 1234a(j)).

DATES: Interested persons may comment on the proposed action by submitting written data, views, or arguments May 9, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Effie Forde, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, SW., (Room 5200, FB 10), Washington, DC 20202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Effie Forde, Esq., Telephone (202) 401-8292. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The claims in question arose from two separate audits of the financial affairs and operations of Connecticut for fiscal years 1988 through 1991. The audits were performed by the State of Connecticut Auditor of Public Accounts to fulfill the requirements of Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-128. The audits included the evaluation of the internal control systems, including applicable internal administrative controls used in administering Federal financial assistance programs. Among the systems

examined, the auditors reviewed Connecticut's procedures for allocating among programs costs for individual employees who had multi-program responsibilities.

Department officials issued two separate program determination letters (PDLs) to Connecticut. The first PDL was issued on March 31, 1992 demanding a refund in the amount of \$575,329 (Connecticut I) for violations of the requirements in OMB Circular A-87 relating to recordkeeping for employees with multi-program responsibilities. Funds were disallowed for the following programs: Bilingual Education State Grant (\$94,134); Education Consolidation and Improvement Act (ECIA) Migrant Education State Formula Grant (\$108,358); Chapter 1 of the ECIA, Education for the Disadvantaged, State Administration (\$36,120); Chapter 2 of the ECIA (\$263,605); Part B of the Education of the Handicapped Act (\$29,272); and Preschool Grants for Children with Disabilities (\$43,910). Based on documentation submitted by Connecticut during the course of its appeal before the OALJ, the Department has withdrawn its claims relating to Chapter 2 of the ECIA (\$263,605) and the Bilingual Education State Grant (\$94,134). With the withdrawal of these two claims, the funds remaining at issue in Connecticut I have been reduced from \$575,329 to \$217,590.

The Department issued the second PDL on March 25, 1994 (Connecticut II) disallowing a total of \$558,162 for similar recordkeeping violations relating to the following Federal programs: Bilingual Education State Grant program (\$100,566); Carl D. Perkins Vocational Education Act (\$3,133); Chapter 1 Handicapped (\$201,438); Chapter 2 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) (\$234,640); and Handicapped Special Studies (\$18,385). Based on documentation submitted by Connecticut after it filed its application for review with the OALJ, the Department has withdrawn its claims relating to Chapter 2 of the ESEA (\$234,640) and the Bilingual Education State Grant (\$100,566). As a result, the amount of funds remaining at issue in Connecticut II is \$222,956.

Connecticut filed timely requests for review of the two PDLs with the OALJ. Thereafter, the Administrative Law Judge assigned to the appeals granted the parties' joint motion to enter into settlement negotiations.

The Department proposes to compromise the amount remaining at issue in Connecticut I (\$217,590) for \$82,500 and the amount at issue in Connecticut II (\$222,956) for \$64,260.

Under the proposed compromise, Connecticut therefore would repay a total principal amount of \$147,760, plus accrued interest, in three equal installments. Although Connecticut I and II are being resolved together through one settlement agreement, they involve separate PDLs and claims for purposes of the dollar limitation in 20 U.S.C. 1234a(j)(1) on the Secretary's authority to compromise claims.

During settlement negotiations, Connecticut provided substantial additional documentation and information relating to the individual employees at issue, their job duties, and how they spent their time. Furthermore, Connecticut raised additional legal and factual issues that could reduce or eliminate the remaining amounts at issue.

Given the amount that would be repaid by Connecticut under the settlement agreement, the additional documentation submitted during settlement discussions, and the litigation risks and costs of proceeding through the appeal process for both appeals, the Department has determined that it would not be practical or in the public interest to continue these proceedings. Rather, under the authority provided in 20 U.S.C. 1234a(j)(1), the Department has determined that compromise of these claims for \$146,760 would be appropriate.

The public is invited comment on the Department's intent to compromise these claims. Additional information may be obtained by writing to Effie Forde at the address given at the beginning of this notice.

Program Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1234a(j).

Dated: March 19, 1996.

Donald R. Wurtz,

Chief Financial Officer.

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Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Submission for OMB review; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Director, Information Resources Group, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before April 24, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs,