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Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 31-96]

Foreign-Trade Zone 98—Birmingham, AL; Application for Subzone Status, ZF Industries, Inc. (Automotive Axle Assemblies), Tuscaloosa, Alabama

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the City of Birmingham, Alabama, grantee of FTZ 98, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the automotive axle assembly manufacturing plant of ZF Industries, Inc. (ZF) (subsidiary of ZF Friedrichshafen AG, Germany), located in Tuscaloosa, 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 April 16, 1996.

The new ZF plant (34 acres, 83,000 sq.ft.), currently under construction, is located at 1200 Commerce Drive within the Tuscaloosa County Airport Industrial Park, about 4 miles west of the City of Tuscaloosa. The facility (200 employees) will be used to produce front and rear axle assemblies for passenger vehicles manufactured at the Mercedes-Benz motor vehicle assembly plant in Tuscaloosa County, as well as for export. The application indicates that, at the outset, foreign-sourced parts and materials will comprise some 25 percent of the finished axle assemblies' material value, including: pinion sets, steering gears, tie rods, parking brake cables, and fasteners (duty rate range: 2.9-12.5%). Foreign (non-North American) parts and materials purchases are projected to decline to about 14 percent of the total in the medium term.

Zone procedures would exempt ZF from Customs duty payments on the foreign items used in production for export. On domestic shipments transferred in-bond to the Mercedes-Benz plant (Subzone 98A, Board Order 803, 61 FR 8237, 3-4-96), no duties would be paid on foreign-origin components of the axle assemblies until Mercedes enters the finished motor vehicles for domestic consumption, at which time, Mercedes could choose to apply the finished auto duty rate (2.5%).

Mercedes would pay no duties on its exports. For axle assemblies withdrawn for Customs entry, the company would be able to choose the axle duty rate (2.9%) for the foreign-origin fasteners noted above. The application indicates that the savings from zone procedures 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 June 24, 1996. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to July 9, 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, Medical Forum Building, 7th Floor, 950 22nd Street North, Birmingham, AL 35203.

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

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John J. Da Ponte, Jr.,
Executive Secretary.

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International Trade Administration

[A-351-806]

Silicon Metal from Brazil; Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; Time Limits

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of extension of time limits.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) is extending the time limits of the preliminary and final results of the fourth administrative review of the antidumping duty order on silicon metal from Brazil. The review covers five manufacturers/exporters of the subject merchandise to the United States and the period July 1, 1994, through June 30, 1995.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 25, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Fred Baker or John Kugelman, Office of Antidumping Compliance, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230; telephone: (202) 482-5253.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Because it is not practicable to complete this review within the normal time frame, the Department is extending the time limits for completion of the preliminary results until July 29, 1996, in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Trade and Tariff Act of 1930, as amended by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act of 1994. We will issue our final results for this review by December 5, 1996.

These extensions are in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. § 1675(a)(3)(A)).

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Certain Circular Welded Carbon Steel Pipes and Tubes from Thailand; Amended Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of amended final results of antidumping duty administrative review.

SUMMARY: On January 19, 1996, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published the final results of its administrative review of the antidumping duty order on certain circular welded carbon steel pipes and tubes from Thailand (61 FR 1328). On February 2, 1996, Saha Thai Steel Pipe Co., Ltd. (Saha Thai), the sole respondent covered by this review, filed a timely allegation of clerical error regarding calculation of the cash deposit rate. Petitioners filed a timely reply to respondent's clerical error allegation on February 9, 1996. Upon review of these submissions, we have determined that the Department made a clerical error when it stated in the final results that "the countervailing duty review for the period January 1, 1993, through December 31, 1993, has not yet been completed." *Id.* at 1338. It is because of