

AM/FM radios, AM/FM radio/cassette units, cassette deck units, power amplifiers, and front end AM/FM receiver modules; and (2) automotive electronic components, including relay integration modules (i.e., warning indicators, light dimmers) and security systems with remote keyless entry, for the U.S. market and export. As part of this application, FTZ authority is also being requested for other automotive electronic components which may be manufactured in the future, including air bag controllers, speed control systems, fuel injection systems, seat controls, anti-lock brake units, automatic windshield wipers, heated seat modules, indicator sensors, and vehicle navigation systems. The production process involves assembly, testing, and warehousing. Components purchased from abroad (about 76% of total unit material value) include: self-adhesive plastic plates/foil/film, labels, copper and steel fasteners, steel springs, other articles of copper, flywheels and pulleys, electric motors, electronic parts (transformers, inductors, capacitors, resistors, diodes, transistors, LED's, insulators), liquid crystal displays, integrated circuits, PC boards, electrical switches, other electrical and audio parts (duty rate range: free—12.5%, 40¢/unit, 7¢/kg). The application indicates that 26 percent of all components (by value) will be purchased from U.S. suppliers within three years after approval of subzone status.

FTZ procedures would exempt FTCA from Customs duty payments on the foreign components used in the export production (11% of total shipments). On its domestic sales, the company would be able to choose the duty rates that apply to finished automotive audio products and automotive electronic components (duty free—8.5%) for the foreign inputs noted above. The motor vehicle duty rate (2.5%) could apply to the finished audio and electronic products that are shipped to U.S. motor vehicle assembly plants with subzone status for inclusion into finished motor vehicles under FTZ procedures. Under the FTZ Act, certain merchandise in FTZ status is exempt from ad valorem inventory-type taxes. 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 October 28, 1996. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to November 12, 1996).

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

U.S. Export Assistance Center, Penwood One, Suite 106, 11405 N.

Pennsylvania Street, Carmel, IN 46032
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

Dated: August 19, 1996.

John J. Da Ponte, Jr.,

Executive Secretary.

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[Docket 65-96]

Foreign-Trade Zone 38—Spartanburg County, South Carolina Application for Expansion

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the South Carolina State Ports Authority, grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 38, requesting authority to expand its zone in Spartanburg County, South Carolina, within the Greenville/Spartanburg, South Carolina 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 August 21, 1996.

FTZ 38 was approved on May 4, 1978 (Board Order 131, 43 FR 20526, 5/12/78) and expanded on November 9, 1994 (Board Order 715, 59 FR 59992, 11/21/94). The zone project currently consists of three sites in Spartanburg County: *Site 1* (20 acres)—U.S. Highway 29 Industrial Park, Wellford; *Site 2* (111 acres)—International Transport Center, Greer; and *Site 3* (111 acres)—Highway 290 Commerce Park, Duncan.

The applicant is now requesting authority to further expand the general-purpose zone to include a site (Proposed *Site 4*) which would encompass the Wingo Corporate Park (473 acres), a private industrial park located some 5 miles northwest of Spartanburg, South Carolina, on New Cut, Blackstock, and Mt Zion Roads in Spartanburg County. 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 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 October 28, 1996. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to November 12, 1996).

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

Office of the Port Director, U.S. Customs Service, 150-A West Phillips Road, Greer, SC 29650

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

Dated: August 23, 1996.

John J. Da Ponte, Jr.,

Executive Secretary.

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[Order No. 836]

Grant of Authority; Establishment of a Foreign-Trade Zone Olympia, Washington, Area

Pursuant to its authority under the Foreign-Trade Zones Act of June 18, 1934, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) adopts the following Order:

Whereas, by an Act of Congress approved June 18, 1934, an Act "To provide for the establishment of foreign-trade zones in ports of entry of the United States, to expedite and encourage foreign commerce, and for other purposes," as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u) (the Act), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) is authorized to grant to qualified corporations the privilege of establishing foreign-trade zones in or adjacent to U.S. Customs ports of entry;

Whereas, the Port of Olympia (the Grantee) has made application to the Board (FTZ Docket 5-95, 60 FR 10352, 2/24/95), requesting the establishment of a foreign-trade zone at sites in the four-county area of Thurston, Lewis, Mason and Kitsap Counties, Washington