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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 22-2000]

#### **Foreign-Trade Zone 146—Lawrence County, IL; Application for Expansion of Manufacturing Authority—Subzone 146A, North American Lighting, Inc., Facilities, Flora and Salem, IL (Automotive Lighting Products)**

A application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Bi-State Authority, grantee of FTZ 146, requesting an expansion of the scope of manufacturing authority to include new manufacturing capacity under FTZ procedures and requesting authority to expand the boundary of FTZ Subzone 146A at the North American Lighting, Inc. (NAL), facilities in Flora and Salem, Illinois. It was formally filed on May 30, 2000.

Subzone 146A was approved by the Board in 1988 with authority granted for the manufacture of automotive lighting components and other related auto parts at NAL's manufacturing facilities (355,000 sq.ft./14 acres) in Flora, Illinois (*Site 1*) (Board Order 371, 53 FR 5436, 2-24-88). The subzone was subsequently reorganized and expanded to include NAL's second manufacturing facility (380,000 sq.ft./22 acres) in the Salem Industrial Park, Salem, Illinois (*Site 2*) (Board Order 718, 60 FR 2375, 1-9-95), with the scope of FTZ manufacturing authority increased to 28 million units annually.

The applicant is now requesting authority to expand the subzone boundaries to include an additional 300,000 square feet of manufacturing space within *Site 1* and an additional 17-acre parcel and 365,000 square feet manufacturing/warehouse space within *Site 2*. Under the current expansion plan, the NAL facilities' capacity will be

approximately doubled (to 56 million units per year) with the addition of 665,000 square feet of production area. Activity at the facilities (2,200 employees) involves design, injection molding, plating and assembly of motor vehicle headlamps, rear combination lamps, high mount stop lamps, turn signals, dome and trunk lamps, fog lamps, side marker and license plate lamps using domestic and foreign-origin components. Foreign-sourced components and materials (about 19 percent of total purchases) include: various polymers and resins in primary form (HTSUS Ch. 39), articles of rubber and plastic, parts of lighting equipment, wiring harnesses, bulbs, gaskets/seals, fasteners, optical elements of glass, certain electrical apparatus, lamps and lenses, optical fiber and cable/bundles (duty rates: free-12.5%, 1.2¢/kg+7.5%).

FTZ procedures exempt NAL from Customs duty payments on the foreign components used in export production (9% of shipments). On its domestic sales, the company is able to choose the duty rates that apply to finished automotive lighting equipment and parts (duty free, 2.5%) for the foreign components noted above. The auto duty rate (2.5%) applies if the finished products are shipped via zone-to-zone transfer to U.S. motor vehicle assembly plants with subzone status. The request indicates that the savings from FTZ procedures will continue to help improve the facilities' 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 August 4, 2000. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to August 21, 2000).

A copy of the application will be available for public inspection at the following location: Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 4008, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street & Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

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**Dennis Puccinelli,**

*Acting Executive Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 21-2000]

#### **Foreign-Trade Zone 183—Austin, Texas; Application for Expansion**

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Foreign Trade Zone of Central Texas, Inc., grantee of FTZ 183, requesting authority to expand FTZ 183—Site 3 (High Tech Corridor site) in Austin, Texas. 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 May 26, 2000.

FTZ 183 was approved on December 23, 1991 (Board Order 550, 57 FR 42, 1/2/92), expanded twice in 1998 (Board Order 964, 63 FR 12837, 3/23/98; Board Order 994, 63 FR 39071, 7/21/98), and expanded in 1999 (Board Order 1035, 64 FR 19978, 4/23/99). The zone currently consists of eight sites in the Austin, Texas, area: *Site 1* (317 acres, 7 parcels)—Austin Enterprise site, within the Austin Enterprise Zone Area along Highway 290 and the Ben White Boulevard-Montopolis Drive area, Austin; *Site 2* (50 acres)—Balcones Research site located in north central Austin at the intersection of Burnett Road and Longhorn Boulevard; *Site 3* (1,336 acres, 11 parcels) High Tech Corridor site located along I-35, 14 miles north of downtown Austin (site straddles Austin-Round Rock City line); *Site 4* (122 acres) Cedar Park site, some 8 miles northwest of the Austin city limits, in Williamson County; *Site 5* (246 acres, 2 parcels) Round Rock "SSC" site located along I-35 between Chandler Road and Westinghouse Road on the northern edge of the City of Round Rock; *Site 6* (246 acres) Georgetown site, located along I-35 and U.S. 81, south of downtown Georgetown; *Site 7* (40 acres) San Marcos site, located within the San Marcos Municipal Airport facility in eastern San Marcos, adjacent to State Highway 21, on the Hays County/Caldwell County line; and, *Site 8* (200 acres) MET Center industrial park located between U.S. Highway 183 South and State Highway 71 East in southeast Austin, some 5 miles northwest of the new Austin Bergstrom International Airport.

The applicant is now requesting authority to expand *Site 3* to include two additional parcels (276 acres), located to the west of the existing site. The area consists of the tech. ridge