Analysis of Comments

Three comments were received in response to the proposal. All three comments strongly supported the inclusion of the City of Auburn in the port of Portland, Maine, for the purposes of international trade facilitation and of expanded economic development in the Auburn area.

According to the comments, the AIF will afford the Bureau of Customs and Border Protection (CBP) great flexibility in protecting our borders against terrorist activities when conducting examinations and clearance of cargo entering the United States. The expansion of the port of Portland will also help to eliminate needless truck traffic on the highway system by allowing examinations and clearance closest to the point of entry. Trucks will no longer need to travel further in bound to examine. These benefits are in addition to the economic boost which is expected to occur as a result of the port expansion.

Conclusion

CBP believes that the expansion of the port of Portland, Maine, to include the City of Auburn is a positive step in the facilitation of the processing of international cargo. Accordingly, CBP has decided to proceed with the proposed expansion.

New Port Limits

The port limits of the port of entry of Portland, Maine, are expanded to include the City of Auburn. The territory included in the port of Portland is as follows: Portland, Maine and the territory embracing the municipalities of Auburn, South Portland, Falmouth, and Cape Elizabeth, in the State of Maine, and Peak, Long, Cliff, Cushing and Diamond Islands, in the State of Maine.

Authority

This change is being made under the authority of 5 U.S.C. 301 and 19 U.S.C. 2, 66, and 1624.

Regulatory Flexibility Act and Executive Order 12866

CBP establishes, expands and consolidates CBP ports of entry throughout the United States to accommodate the volume of CBP-related activity in various parts of the country. Although a notice was issued for public comment on this subject matter, because this document relates to agency management and organization, it is not subject to the notice and procedure requirements of 5 U.S.C. 553. Accordingly, this document is not subject to the provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 et seq.). Agency organization matters such as this port expansion are not subject to Executive Order 12866.

Drafting Information

The principal author of this document was Janet L. Johnson, Regulations Branch. However, personnel from other offices participated in its development.

List of Subjects in 19 CFR Part 101

Customs duties and inspection, Exports, Imports, Organization and functions (Government agencies).

Amendment to the Regulations

For the reasons set forth above, 19 CFR part 101 of the Customs Regulations is amended as set forth below.

PART 101—GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. The general authority citation for part 101 and the specific authority citation for §101.3 continue to read as follows:


2. In the list of ports in §101.3(b)(1), under the state of Maine, the “Limits of port” column adjacent to “Portland” in the “Ports of entry” column is amended by removing the citation “E.O. 9297, Feb. 1, 1943 (8 FR 1479)” and by adding its place “CBP Dec. 03–08.”

Robert C. Bonner,
Commissioner, Customs and Border Protection.
Tom Ridge,
Secretary, Department of Homeland Security.
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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Bureau of Customs and Border Protection

19 CFR Parts 101 and 122

[CBP Dec. 03–09]

Customs and Border Protection Field Organization; Fargo, ND


ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This document amends the Customs Regulations pertaining to the field organization of Customs and Border Protection (CBP) by establishing a new port of entry at Fargo, North Dakota. The new port of entry includes Hector International Airport, located in the city of Fargo, Cass County, North Dakota, which is currently operated as a user-fee airport; and a portion of Clay County in Minnesota. This change will assist CBP in its continuing efforts to provide better service to carriers, importers, and the general public.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 18, 2003.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

As part of its continuing efforts to provide better service to carriers, importers, and the general public, on December 2, 2002, Customs (then under the Department of the Treasury) published a document in the Federal Register (67 FR 71510) that proposed to amend parts 101 and 122 of the Customs Regulations (19 CFR parts 101 and 122) to establish a port of entry at Fargo, North Dakota, to include Hector International Airport, located in the city of Fargo, Cass County, North Dakota, which is currently operated as a user-fee airport, and, accordingly, to remove Hector International Airport as a user-fee airport. As well as including Hector International Airport, the port limits of Fargo were also proposed to include a portion of Clay County in Minnesota. The proposed change of status for Hector International Airport from a user-fee airport to being included within the boundaries of a port of entry would subject the airport to the passenger processing fee provided for at 19 U.S.C. 58c(a)(5)(B).

The proposal to establish Fargo, North Dakota as a port of entry was based on Customs analysis of the following information:

1. Fargo is serviced by three modes of transportation:
   (a) rail (the Burlington Northern Santa Fe railroad);
   (b) air (at Hector International Airport, two passenger carriers (Northwest and United Express) and five courier-delivery carriers (Airbourne Express, Corporate Express, DHL, FED EX, and UPS)); and
   (c) highway (two U.S. interstate highways: I–29 and I–94);

2. The Fargo, North Dakota area has a population of approximately 175,000, with the potential to increase even further.

3. Regarding the five actual or potential workload criteria:
(a) Hector International Airport had 2,911 international air passengers for FY 2001, an increase of 61% over FY 2000;
(b) Hector International Airport had 151 formal consumption entries for FY 2001, with no single company accounting for more than half of the projected entries; and
(c) Hector International Airport had 814 scheduled international aircraft arrivals for FY 2001, an increase of 65% over FY 2000.

Customs believed that significant benefits would be provided to the North Dakota business community by creating a port of entry at Fargo and that the cost of providing the services of one full-time and one part-time Customs official would be minimal to the Federal Government.

Conditional Status

Based on the information above and the level and pace of development in the Fargo area, Customs believed that there was sufficient justification for the establishment of Fargo, North Dakota, as a port of entry on a conditional basis.

In the Notice, Customs stated that if it is decided to create a port of entry at Fargo and to terminate Hector International Airport’s designation as a user-fee airport, Customs will notify the airport of that determination in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 122.15(c). However, it was also noted that the proposal relied on potential, rather than actual, workload figures. Therefore, even if the proposed port of entry designation were adopted as a final rule, Customs would review the actual workload generated within the new port of entry in one year. If that review indicated that the actual workload was below the port of entry criteria established in T.D. 82–37, as revised by T.D. 86–14, procedures may be instituted to revoke the port of entry status. In such case, the airport could reapply to become a user-fee airport under the provisions of 19 U.S.C. 58b.

The public comment period for the proposed amendments closed January 31, 2003. On March 1, 2003, the U.S. Customs Service was transferred from the Department of the Treasury to the Department of Homeland Security, and was redesignated as the Bureau of Customs and Border Protection (CBP).

Discussion of Comments

One comment was received that was favorable to the establishment of Fargo as a port of entry.

Comment

The commenter requested that, should Customs (now CBP) revoke the port of entry status of Fargo after the one-year conditional status period, Hector International Airport’s status should automatically be reverted back to a user-fee airport. The commenter stated that it was concerned that there could be a lapse in Customs services if the reapplication language contained in the Notice was strictly followed. The commenter further stated that Customs and the airport authority could coordinate any transition procedures.

CBP Response

CBP concurs with this comment. Accordingly, the terms and conditions in the Memorandum of Agreement between CBP and the airport authority will provide for the procedure by which the airport may again be designated as a user fee airport, should its status as a port of entry be terminated.

Comment

The same commenter stated that the description of the proposed port of entry limits needed to be adjusted to include more of the Fargo-area community in North Dakota and less of the Clay County area in Minnesota. According to the commenter, the revised geographical limits for the new Fargo port of entry would more accurately reflect the area served by Fargo’s processing facilities and Customs personnel. Accordingly, the commenter stated that the port of entry limits be established as follows:

Eastern boundary—The proposed Eastern boundary of the port of entry in Clay County, Minnesota, needs to be moved west from Clay County highway 11 to a north-south line represented by Clay County Road 78 south of U.S. 10 and Clay County Road 90 north of U.S. 10;

Southern boundary—The proposed Southern boundary of the port of entry in both North Dakota and Minnesota needs to be extended south from U.S. Interstate 94 to an east-west line that is in accordance with 64th Avenue South in Fargo, North Dakota; and

Western boundary—The proposed Western boundary of the port of entry in Cass County, North Dakota, needs to be extended west from U.S. Interstate 29 in Fargo to a north-south line represented by 25th Street north of the intersection of U.S. Interstate 29 and U.S. 10 and 26th Street north of the intersection of U.S. Interstate 29 and U.S. 10 in West Fargo.

In Clay County, Minnesota:

Northern boundary, Clay County highway 22;

Southern boundary, an east-west line in accordance with 64th Avenue South in Fargo, Cass County, North Dakota, and

Eastern boundary, a north-south line represented by Clay County Road 78 south of U.S. 10 and Clay County Road 90 north of U.S. 10.

Authority

This amendment is promulgated pursuant to Customs authority under 5 U.S.C. 301 and 19 U.S.C. 2, 66, and 1624.

Inapplicability of the Regulatory Flexibility Act and Executive Order 12866

Although Customs solicited public comments, no notice and public procedure was required pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553 because this matter relates to agency management and organization. Accordingly, this document is not subject to the provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 et seq.). Further, matters involving agency management and organization...
are not subject to Executive Order 12866.

Drafting Information

The principal author of this document was Gregory R. Vilders, Attorney, Office of Regulations and Rulings, Regulations Branch. However, personnel from other offices participated in its development.

List of Subjects in 19 CFR Part 101

Customs duties and inspection, Customs ports of entry, Exports, Imports, Organization and functions (Government agencies), Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Shipments, User fee facilities.

119 CFR Part 122

Administrative practice and procedure, Air carriers, Aircraft, Airports, Air transportation, Commercial aircraft, Customs duties and inspection, Freight, Imports, Organization and functions (Government agencies), Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Amendments to the Regulations

For the reasons stated above, parts 101 and 122 of the Customs Regulations (19 CFR parts 101 and 122) are amended as set forth below:

PART 101—GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. The general authority citation for part 101 and specific authority citation for §101.3 continue to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 301; 19 U.S.C. 2, 66, 1202 (General Note 23, Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States), 1623, 1624, 1646a; Sections 101.3 and 101.4 also issued under 19 U.S.C. 1 and 58b;

2. In §101.3, the list of ports in paragraph (b)(1) is amended by adding, in alphabetical order, under the State of North Dakota, “Fargo” in the “Ports of entry” column and “CBP Dec. 03—” in the adjacent “Limits of port” column.

PART 122—AIR COMMERCE REGULATIONS

3. The general authority citation for part 122 continues to read as follows:


4. In §122.15, the list of user fee airports in paragraph (b) is amended by removing “Fargo, North Dakota” in the column headed “Location” and, on the same line, by removing “Hector International Airport” in the column headed “Name”.

Robert C. Bonner,
Commissioner, Customs and Border Protection.
Tom Ridge,
Secretary, Department of Homeland Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

21 CFR Part 522

Implantation or Injectable Dosage Form New Animal Drugs; Change of Sponsor; Correction

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Final rule; correction.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is correcting a final rule that appeared in the Federal Register of June 10, 2003 (68 FR 34533). The document amended the animal drug regulations to reflect a change of sponsor for two approved new animal drug applications (NADAs) from Anthony Products Co. to Cross Vetpharm Group Ltd. The document was published with an error. This document corrects that error.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 18, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joyce A. Strong, Office of Policy (HF–27), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301–827–0232, e-mail: edubbin@cvm.fda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: In the FR Doc. 03–14547, appearing on page 34533 in the Federal Register of Tuesday, June 10, 2003, the following correction is made:

§522.1696b [Corrected]

1. On page 34534, in the second column, the last line in the amendatory language for §522.1696b * Penicillin G procaine aqueous suspension is corrected to read “010515, 053501, 059130, and 61623”.

Stephen F. Sundlof,
Director, Center for Veterinary Medicine.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

21 CFR Parts 556 and 558

New Animal Drugs; Laidlomycin

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is amending the animal drug regulations to reflect approval of a supplemental new animal drug application (NADA) filed by Alpharma Inc. The supplemental NADA provides for the establishment of a tolerance for residues of laidlomycin in cattle liver. The previously established acceptable daily intake (ADI) for total residues of laidlomycin is also being codified.

DATES: This rule is effective July 18, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Eric S. Dubbin, Center for Veterinary Medicine (HFV–126), Food and Drug Administration, 7500 Standish Pl., Rockville, MD 20855, 301–827–0232, e-mail: edubbin@cvm.fda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: Alpharma Inc., One Executive Dr., P.O. Box 1399, Fort Lee, NJ 07024, filed a supplement to NADA 141–025 for use of CATTLYST (laidlomycin propionate potassium) Type A medicated articles used to formulate Type C medicated feeds for cattle. The supplemental NADA provides for the establishment of a tolerance for residues of laidlomycin in cattle livers. FDA is also taking this opportunity to codify the previously established ADI for total residues of laidlomycin. The supplemental NADA is approved as of May 12, 2003, and parts 556 and 558 (21 CFR parts 556 and 558) are amended by adding new §556.346 and by revising §558.305. The basis of approval is discussed in the freedom of information summary.

In accordance with the freedom of information provisions of 21 CFR parts 20 and 21 CFR 514.11(e)(2)(ii), a summary of safety and effectiveness data and information submitted to support approval of this application may be seen in the Dockets Management Branch (HFA–305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The agency has determined under 21 CFR 25.33(a)(1) that this action is of a type that does not individually or