

findings, root and contributing causes, and draft recommendations.

Recommendations are issued by a vote of the Board and address an identified safety deficiency uncovered during the investigation, and specify how to correct the situation. Safety recommendations are the primary tool used by the Board to motivate implementation of safety improvements and prevent future incidents. The CSB uses its unique independent accident investigation perspective to identify trends or issues that might otherwise be overlooked. CSB recommendations may be directed to corporations, trade associations, government entities, safety organizations, labor unions and others.

After the staff presentation, the Board will allow a time for public comment. Following the conclusion of the public comment period, the Board will consider whether to vote to approve the final report and recommendations. When a report and its recommendations are approved, this will begin CSB's process for disseminating the findings and recommendations of the report not only to the recipients of recommendations but also to other public and industry sectors. The CSB believes that this process will ultimately lead to the adoption of recommendations and the growing body of safety knowledge in the industry, which, in turn, should save future lives and property.

All staff presentations are preliminary and are intended solely to allow the Board to consider in a public forum the issues and factors involved in this case. No factual analyses, conclusions or findings should be considered final. Only after the Board has considered the staff presentation and approved the staff report will there be an approved final record of this incident.

The meeting will be open to the public. Please notify CSB if a translator or interpreter is needed, at least 5 business days prior to the public meeting. For more information, please contact the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board at (202)-261-7600, or visit our Web site at: <http://www.csb.gov>.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 1279]

#### **Grant of Authority for Subzone Status; Ricoh Electronics, Inc. Manufacturing Facilities (Copier, Printer, Thermal Paper, and Related Products), Orange County, CA**

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*, the Foreign-Trade Zones Act provides 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,” and authorizes the Foreign-Trade Zones Board to grant to qualified corporations the privilege of establishing foreign-trade zones in or adjacent to U.S. Customs ports of entry;

*Whereas*, the Board's regulations (15 CFR part 400) provide for the establishment of special-purpose subzones when existing zone facilities cannot serve the specific use involved; and when the activity results in a significant public benefit and is in the public interest;

*Whereas*, the Board of Harbor Commissioners of the City of Long Beach, grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 50, has made application to the Board for authority to establish special-purpose subzone status at the copier, printer, thermal paper, and related products manufacturing facilities of Ricoh Electronics, Inc., located at sites in the Orange County, California area, (FTZ Docket 52-2002, filed November 19, 2002);

*Whereas*, notice inviting public comment has been given in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 72641, 12/06/2002; amended, 68 FR 9973, 3/03/2003); and,

*Whereas*, the Board adopts the findings and recommendations of the examiner's report, and finds that the requirements of the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations would be satisfied, and that approval of the application, as amended, would be in the public interest, if approval, with respect to thermal paper, were subject to the time limit described below;

*Now, Therefore*, the Board hereby grants authority for subzone status at the copier, printer, thermal paper, and related products manufacturing plant of Ricoh Electronics, Inc., located at sites in the Orange County, California, area (Subzone 50J), at the locations described in the application, subject to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations,

including section 400.28. Further, the approval for manufacturing of thermal paper under zone procedures is limited to an initial period of four years (from activation), subject to extension upon review.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 14th day of August 2003.

**James J. Jochum,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 1280]

#### **Grant of Authority for Subzone Status; Ricoh Electronics, Inc. Manufacturing Plant (Toner Cartridges, Related Toner Products and Thermal Paper Products), Lawrenceville, GA**

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*, the Foreign-Trade Zones Act provides 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,” and authorizes the Foreign-Trade Zones Board to grant to qualified corporations the privilege of establishing foreign-trade zones in or adjacent to U.S. Customs ports of entry;

*Whereas*, the Board's regulations (15 CFR part 400) provide for the establishment of special-purpose subzones when existing zone facilities cannot serve the specific use involved; and when the activity results in a significant public benefit and is in the public interest;

*Whereas*, the Georgia Foreign-Trade Zone, Inc., grantee of FTZ 26, has made application to the Board for authority to establish special-purpose subzone status at the toner cartridges, related toner products, and thermal paper products manufacturing plant of Ricoh Electronics, Inc., located in Lawrenceville, Georgia (FTZ Docket 53-2002, filed November 19, 2002);

*Whereas*, notice inviting public comment has been given in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 72642, 12/06/2002; amended, 68 FR 9973, 3/03/2003); and,

*Whereas*, the Board adopts the findings and recommendations of the examiner's report, and finds that the requirements of the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations would be satisfied,