

4701, 4819, 4821, 8214, 8424, 9616 (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 7.4%). In addition, the application indicates that they may import coloring matter, but that any products imported under Chapter 32 of the HTS would be admitted in privileged-foreign status.

FTZ procedures would exempt L'Oreal USA from Customs duty payments on the foreign components used in export production. Some 5 percent of the plant's shipments are exported. On its domestic sales, L'Oreal USA would be able to choose the duty rates during Customs entry procedures that apply to cosmetic and beauty products (duty-free to 5.8%) for the foreign inputs noted above. The request indicates that the savings from FTZ procedures would help improve the plant's international competitiveness.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, a member of the FTZ staff has been appointed examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at one of the following addresses:

1. Submissions Via Express/Package Delivery Services: Foreign-Trade-Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, Franklin Court Building—Suite 4100W, 1099 14th St. NW., Washington, DC 20005; or

2. Submissions Via the U.S. Postal Service: Foreign-Trade-Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, FCB—Suite 4100W, 1401 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20230. The closing period for their receipt is January 20, 2004. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to February 2, 2004).

A copy of the application and accompanying exhibits will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Foreign-Trade Zones Board's Executive Secretary at the first address listed above, and at the U.S. Department of Commerce Export Assistance Center, 744 Broad Street, Suite 1505, Newark, NJ 07102.

Dated: November 6, 2003.

**Dennis Puccinelli,**

*Executive Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket No. 46-2003]

#### **Pepsi-Cola Manufacturing International, Ltd.—Subzone 61J; Application for Expansion of Scope of Manufacturing Authority, Extension of Comment Period**

The comment period for the application submitted by the Puerto Rico Exports Development Corporation (68 FR 54888, 9-19-2003), grantee of FTZ 61, on behalf of Pepsi-Cola Manufacturing International, Ltd. (PCMIL), operator of FTZ 61J, requesting an expansion of the scope of manufacturing authority to include additional finished products and manufacturing capacity under FTZ procedures at the PCMIL soft drink and juice beverage concentrate manufacturing plant in Cidra, Puerto Rico, has been extended to December 19, 2003, to allow interested parties additional time in which to comment on the proposal.

Comments in writing are invited during this period. Submissions (original and three copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the following addresses:

1. *Submissions via Express/Package Delivery Services:* Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, Franklin Court Building—Suite 4100W, 1099 14th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005; or,

2. *Submissions via the U.S. Postal Service:* Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, FCB—4100W, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

Material submitted will be available for inspection at address No. 1 noted above.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket No. 61-2003]

#### **Foreign-Trade Zone 77—Memphis, TN; Expansion of Manufacturing Authority—Subzone 77A, Sharp Manufacturing Company of America (Consumer and Business Electronics) Shelby County, TN**

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the City of Memphis, Tennessee, grantee of FTZ 77, requesting to expand the scope of manufacturing authority under zone procedures within Subzone 77A, at the Sharp Manufacturing Company of America facilities in Shelby County, Tennessee. It was formally filed on November 6, 2003.

Subzone 77A was approved by the Board in 1984 at 2 sites (107 acres) in the Memphis area (Shelby County), Tennessee, with authority originally granted for the manufacture of television and microwave ovens (Board Order 265, 49 FR 28589, 07/13/84), and later expanded to include personal computers, printers, and printed circuit boards (Board Order 653, 58 FR 47859, 09/13/93).

Subzone 77A (600 employees, with projections to 730 by 2005) is currently requesting to expand the scope of authority for manufacturing activity conducted under FTZ procedures to include the assembly of multifunction office machines and accessories (HTSUS 8471.60, 8471.70, 8471.80, 8472.90 and 8473.50, all duty-free) and photovoltaic cells and modules (HTSUS 8541.40, duty-free), using foreign and domestic materials. Foreign-sourced components used in the assembly of multifunction office machines include printer engines, controller boards, and printer parts and accessories (HTSUS 8472.90.80000, 8473.40.1000, 8473.40.8000), and would account for some 95 percent of finished product value. Foreign-sourced components used in the assembly of photovoltaic modules include photovoltaic cells, module frames and interconnectors, terminal boxes, PET sheets, gaskets, tape and resins (HTSUS 8541.40.6030, 8541.90.0000, 8536, 3920.62.0000, 4016.92, 3919, 3909), and would account for approximately 20 percent of finished product value. Photovoltaic module components having an inverted tariff would comprise some 5 percent of the value of the finished product.

Zone procedures would exempt Sharp from Customs duty payments on foreign materials used in production for export.