NOSB will include, to the extent the Department, membership on the of the diverse groups that are served by the NOSB take into account the needs followed in all appointments to the receive consideration for appointment forms are required for a nominee to Completed biographical information be completed and returned to USDA specific positions.

other factors as may be appropriate for organizations; demonstrated experience and consumer and public interest interest in organic production, handling factors as: demonstrated experience and expertise in areas of environmental handling operation, an individual who owner or operator of an organic production operation, an owner or operator of an organic handling operation, an individual who owns or operates a retail establishment with significant trade in organic products, or an individual with expertise in areas of environmental protection and resource conservation. Selection criteria will include such factors as: demonstrated experience and interest in organic production, handling and retailing; diverse commodity and geographic representation; support of consumer and public interest organizations; demonstrated experience with environmental matters; and such other factors as may be appropriate for specific positions. Nominees will be supplied with a biographical information form that must be completed and returned to USDA within 10 working days of its receipt. Completed biographical information forms are required for a nominee to receive consideration for appointment by the Secretary. Equal opportunity practices will be followed in all appointments to the NOSB in accordance with USDA policies. To ensure that the members of the NOSB take into account the needs of the groups that are served by the Department, membership on the NOSB will include, to the extent practicable, individuals who demonstrate the ability to represent minorities, women, and persons with disabilities.

The information collection requirements concerning the nomination process have been previously cleared by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under OMB Control No. 0505–0001.


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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

[Docket No. FV–04–301]

United States Standards for Grades of Greenhouse Tomatoes

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Reopening and extension of the comment period.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the comment period on possible changes to the United States Standards for Greenhouse Tomatoes is reopened and extended.

DATES: Comments must be received by March 31, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments to the Standardization Section, Fresh Products Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Room 1661 South Building, Stop 0240, Washington, DC 20250–0240; fax (202) 720–8871; E-mail FPB.DocketClerk@usda.gov., or you may also send your comments by the electronic process available at Federal eRulemaking portal at http://www.regulations.gov. Comments should make reference to the dates and page number of this issue of the Federal Register and will be made available for public inspection in the above office during regular business hours.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David L. Priester, at the above address or call (202) 720–2185; E-mail David.Priester@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A notice was published in the Federal Register, December 10, 2003, (Vol. 68, No. 237, Pages 68859–68860) requesting comments on the possible revisions of the United States Standards for Grades of Greenhouse Tomatoes. The possible revisions include: amending the method for determining percentages from a weight to count basis, and changing the size classifications from ounces to diameter. Additionally, the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) is seeking comments regarding any other revisions that may be necessary to better serve the industry. The comment period ended February 9, 2004.

A comment was received from an industry association representing fresh tomato production in North America, requesting additional time to consider possible revisions. The association requested the comment period be extended to allow the association an opportunity to meet with their members to discuss possible revisions.

After reviewing the request, AMS is reopening and extending the comment period in order to allow sufficient time for interested persons, including the association, to file comments.


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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Ravalli County Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Ravalli County Resource Advisory Committee will be meeting to discuss 2004 projects and the Fred Burr 80 project, receive reports on Forest Plan Revision community groups, discuss public outreach methods, and hold a short public forum (question and answer session). The meeting is being held pursuant to the authorities in the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463) and under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (Public Law 106–393). The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The meeting will be held on March 23, 2004, 6:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Ravalli County Administration Building, 215 S. 4th Street, Hamilton, Montana. Send written comments to Jeanne Higgins, District Ranger, Stevensville Ranger District, 88 Main Street, Stevensville, MT 59870, by
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 6–2004]

Foreign-Trade Zone 114—Peoria, Illinois Area; Application For Foreign-Trade Subzone Status, Rockwell Automation, Inc. (Industrial Automation Products), Champaign, IL

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Economic Development Council for Central Illinois, grantee of FTZ 114, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the warehousing, processing and distribution facility (industrial automation products) of Rockwell Automation, Inc. (Rockwell), located in Champaign, Illinois. The application was submitted pursuant to 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 March 5, 2004.

The Rockwell facility is located at 2802 West Bloomington Road, Champaign (30 acres total; 239,211 sq. ft. of enclosed space, with potential expansion to include an additional 373,402 sq. ft.). The facility (approximately 125 employees) may be used under FTZ procedures for warehousing, packaging, processing, inspecting, quality-control auditing, relabeling and distributing industrial automation power, control, and information products. Rockwell’s application indicates that approximately 60 percent of the merchandise handled by the facility is domestically sourced. No authority is being sought for activity conducted under FTZ procedures that would result in a change in tariff classification.

Zone procedures would exempt Rockwell from Customs duty payments on foreign-status merchandise that is reexported. On its domestic shipments, Rockwell would be able to defer duty payments until merchandise is shipped from its facility. The company would be able to avoid duty on foreign merchandise which becomes scrap/waste, estimated at approximately one percent of imported inputs. The application indicates that Rockwell anticipates realizing significant logistical/procedural benefits, with potential future savings also possible from zone-to-zone merchandise transfers. All of the above-cited savings from FTZ procedures could help improve the facility’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 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

The closing period for their receipt is May 17, 2004. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to June 1, 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 address Number 1 listed above, and at the Economic Development Council for Central Illinois, 124 SW. Adams Street, Suite 300, Peoria, IL 61602.


Dennis Puccinelli,
Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 7–2004]

Foreign-Trade Zone 201—Holyoke, MA; Application For Foreign-Trade Subzone Status, Hazen Paper Company (Paper Conversion), Holyoke, MA

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Holyoke Economic Development & Industrial Corporation, grantee of FTZ 201, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the warehousing and manufacturing facilities (paper conversion—the final product is “graphic arts quality base paper”) of the Hazen Paper Company (Hazen), located in Holyoke, Massachusetts. The application was submitted pursuant to 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 March 8, 2004.

The Hazen facilities are located at four sites in Holyoke (9 acres total; 226,100 sq. ft. of enclosed space): Site #1—Headquarters Plant (4.2 acres; 106,000 sq. ft.)—240 South Water Street; Site #2—West Plant (1.7 acres; 68,000 sq. ft.)—210 South Water Street; Site #3—West Plant (1.1 acres; 39,000 sq. ft.)—717 Main Street; and Site #4—Sulco Warehouse (2 acres; 13,100 sq. ft. within 134,000 sq. ft. warehouse)—11 Berkshire Street.

The facilities (194 employees) may be used under FTZ procedures for warehousing and manufacturing activities—Hazen’s manufacturing processes include laminating and coating (printing), embossing, rewinding/slitng, and sheeting/cutting. For Hazen’s current manufacturing, foreign-sourced material accounts for 17 to 30 percent of finished-product value. The application indicates that the only material which may be sourced from abroad is graphic-arts quality aluminum foil (this falls into two tariff-schedule categories: With thickness not exceeding .01 millimeter, and with thickness exceeding .01 millimeter but less than .15 millimeter). The current duty rate for this input material is 5.8 percent.

Zone procedures would exempt Hazen from Customs duty payments on the foreign input when used in export production. On its domestic sales, Hazen would be able to defer duty payments, and to choose the lower duty rate that applies to the finished product’s category (duty-free) for the foreign input listed above. Hazen would be able to avoid duty on foreign input which becomes scrap/waste, estimated at 14 percent of imported material. All of the above-cited savings from zone procedures could 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 is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the