

Type of Request: Extension of currently approved information collection.

Abstract: This subpart set forth the policies and procedures and delegates authority for providing technical assistance funds to eligible applicants to finance programs of technical and supervisory assistance for self-help housing, as authorized under section 523 of the Housing Act of 1949 loan program under 42 U.S.C 1472. This financial assistance may pay part of all of the cost of developing, administering or coordinating program of technical and supervisory assistance to aid very low- and low-income families in carrying out self-help housing efforts in rural areas. The primary purpose is to locate and work with families that otherwise do not qualify as homeowners, are below the 50 percent of median incomes, and living in substandard housing.

RHS will be collecting information from non-profit organizations to enter into grant agreements. These non-profit organizations will give technical and supervisory assistance, and in doing so, they must develop a final application for section 523 grant funds. This application includes Agency forms that contain essential information for making a determination of eligibility.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 6 hours per response.

Respondents: Public or private nonprofit organizations, State, Local or Tribal Governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 160.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 20.54.

Estimated Number of Responses: 3,287.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 4,372.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Brigitte Sumter, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, Support Services Division at (202) 692-0042.

Comments: Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the RHS, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of RHS's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including

through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments may be sent to Brigitte Sumter, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, Support Services Division, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, STOP 0742, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20250. All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: January 5, 2009.

Russell T. Davis,

Administrator, Rural Housing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 73-2008]

Foreign-Trade Zone 123—Denver, Colorado, Application for Expansion

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the City and County of Denver, Colorado, grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 123, requesting authority to expand its zone to include the jet fuel storage and distribution facilities (79 acres) of the Denver International Airport within the Denver Customs and Border Protection port of entry. 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 December 24, 2008.

FTZ 123 was approved by the Board on August 16, 1985 (Board Order 311, 50 FR 34729, 8/27/85) and expanded on April 10, 2007 (Board Order 1509, 72 FR 19879-19880, 4/20/07). The general-purpose zone currently consists of three sites in the Denver, Colorado area: *Site 1:* (6 acres, 200,000 sq. ft.) located at 11075 East 40th Avenue, Denver; *Site 2:* (7 acres, 116,000 sq. ft.) located at the South Air Cargo development area along East 75th Avenue within the Denver International Airport; and, *Site 3:* (766 acres) located within the Great Western Industrial Park bordered by Eastman Park Drive and County Road 23, Windsor.

The applicant is now requesting authority to expand the general-purpose zone to include the jet fuel storage and distribution facilities (79

acres) within the Denver International Airport. The new site will be designated as Site 4. The site is owned by the City and County of Denver and leased to Aircraft Service International Inc., who will be the operator.

No specific manufacturing requests are being made at this time. Such requests would be made to the Board on a case-by-case basis. In accordance with the Board's regulations, Claudia Hausler of the FTZ Staff is 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 the address below. The closing period for their receipt is March 16, 2009. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to March 30, 2009).

A copy of the application and accompanying exhibits will be available for public inspection at each of the following locations:

U.S. Department of Commerce, Export Assistance Center, 1625 Broadway, Suite 680, Denver, CO 80202

Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 2111, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230

For further information contact Claudia Hausler at Claudia_Hausler@ita.doc.gov or (202) 482-1379.

Dated: December 29, 2008.

Andrew McGilvray,

Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

Information Systems Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Partially Closed Meeting

The Information Systems Technical Advisory Committee (ISTAC) will meet on January 28 and 29, 2009, 9 a.m., at the NASA Ames Research Conference Center, 500 Severys Road, Building 3, NASA Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, CA 94035.

The Committee advises the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration on technical questions that affect the level of export controls applicable to information systems equipment and technology.

Wednesday, January 28*Open Session*

1. Welcome and Introduction
2. HPC Clusters
3. Laser Interferometry
4. Industry Presentations, Telecomm
5. LVS for 3A002
6. Working Group Reports

Thursday, January 29*Closed Session*

7. Discussion of matters determined to be exempt from the provisions relating to public meetings found in 5 U.S.C. app. 2 §§ 10(a)(1) and 10(a)(3).

The open session will be accessible via teleconference to 20 participants on a first come, first serve basis. To join the conference, submit inquiries to Ms. Yvette Springer at Yspringer@bis.doc.gov, no later than January 23, 2009.

A limited number of seats will be available for the public session. Reservations are not accepted. To the extent time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the Committee. The public may submit written statements at any time before or after the meeting. However, to facilitate distribution of public presentation materials to Committee members, the Committee suggests that public presentation materials or comments be forwarded before the meeting to Ms. Springer.

The Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the delegate of the General Counsel, formally determined on December 8, 2008, pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. app. 2 § (10)(d)), that the portion of the meeting concerning trade secrets and commercial or financial information deemed privileged or confidential as described in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4) and the portion of the meeting concerning matters the disclosure of which would be likely to frustrate significantly implementation of an agency action as described in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(B) shall be exempt from the provisions relating to public meetings found in 5 U.S.C. app. 2 §§ 10(a)(1) and 10(a)(3). The remaining portions of the meeting will be open to the public.

For more information, call Yvette Springer at (202) 482-2813.

Dated: January 8, 2009.

Yvette Springer,

Committee Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**International Trade Administration****Notice of Allocation of Tariff Rate Quotas (TRQ) on the Import of Certain Cotton Woven Fabrics for Calendar Year 2009**

AGENCY: Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration.

ACTION: Notice of allocation of 2009 cotton fabric tariff rate quota.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Department) has determined the allocation for Calendar Year 2009 of imports of certain cotton fabrics under tariff rate quotas established by Division B, Title IV of the Tax Relief and Health Care Act of 2006 (Public Law No. 109-432). The companies that are being provided an allocation are listed below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Laurie Mease, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-3400.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**BACKGROUND:**

On December 20, 2006, President Bush signed into law the Tax Relief and Health Care Act of 2006 (Public Law No. 109-432) ("the Act"). Under Division C, Title IV, section 406(b)(1) of the Act, the Secretary of Commerce is required to allocate tariff rate quotas on the import of certain cotton woven fabrics through December 31, 2009. Section 406(b)(1) authorizes the Secretary of Commerce to issue licenses to eligible manufacturers under headings 9902.52.08 through 9902.52.19 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS), specifying the restrictions under each such license on the quantity of cotton woven fabrics that may be entered each year on behalf of the manufacturer. Section 406(a)(1) of the Act created an annual tariff rate quota providing for temporary reductions through December 31, 2009 in the import duties of cotton woven fabrics suitable for making cotton shirts (new HTS headings 9902.52.08, 9902.52.09, 9902.52.10, 9902.52.11, 9902.52.12, 9902.52.13, 9902.52.14, 9902.52.15, 9902.52.16, 9902.52.17, 9902.52.18, and 9902.52.19). Section 406(a)(2) provides that the reduction in duty is limited to 85 percent of the total square meter equivalents of all imported woven fabrics of cotton containing 85 percent or more by weight cotton used by manufacturers in cutting and sewing men's and boys' cotton shirts in the United States and purchased by such manufacturers during calendar year 2000.

The Act requires that the tariff rate quotas be allocated to persons or entities who, during calendar year 2000, were manufacturers cutting and sewing men's and boys' cotton shirts in the United States from imported woven fabrics of cotton containing 85 percent or more by weight of cotton of the kind described in HTS 9902.52.08 through 9902.52.19 purchased by such manufacturer during calendar year 2000. On July 10, 2008, the Department published a final rule establishing procedures for allocating the TRQ (73 FR 39585, 15 CFR 336).

On September 25, 2008 the Department published a notice in the Federal Register (73 FR 55500) soliciting applications for an allocation of the 2009 tariff rate quotas with a closing date of October 27, 2008. The Department received timely applications from 7 firms. All applicants were determined eligible for an allocation. Most applicants submitted data on a business confidential basis. As allocations to firms were determined on the basis of this data, the Department considers individual firm allocations to be business confidential.

FIRMS THAT RECEIVED ALLOCATIONS: HTS HEADINGS 9902.52.08, 9902.52.09, 9902.52.10, 9902.52.11, 9902.52.12, 9902.52.13, 9902.52.14, 9902.52.15, 9902.52.16, 9902.52.17, 9902.52.18, AND 9902.52.19, WOVEN FABRICS OF COTTON CONTAINING 85 PERCENT OR MORE BY WEIGHT COTTON, USED BY MANUFACTURERS IN CUTTING AND SEWING MEN'S AND BOYS' COTTON SHIRTS IN THE UNITED STATES.

Amount allocated: 3,116,090 square meters.

Companies Receiving Allocation:

The Hancock Company, DBA Gitman & Company
- Ashland, PA
Individualized Shirt Company - Perth Amboy, NJ
Kenneth Gordon/AG, Inc. - Franklin, TN
The Pickett Co., DBA Measure Up - Lafayette, TN
Retail Brand Alliance - Enfield, CT
Gambert Shirt - Newark, NJ
Maus & Hoffman - Fort Lauderdale, FL

Dated: January 7, 2009.

Janet E. Heizen,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Textiles and Apparel.

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