lakes, State, and Federal agencies. The letter described the purpose and need for action and the proposed action. Additionally, the letter solicited public participation in the process, specifically the submission of comments, concerns, and recommendations regarding management of the allotment. Term grazing permit holders, or their representatives, were contacted shortly after the project was initiated to solicit their input concerning management of the allotment.

All submitted comments, including those previously submitted, will be used to prepare the new draft environmental impact statement. News releases will be prepared to give the public general notice concerning the progress of this project analysis.

It is important that reviewers provide their comments at such times and in such manner that they are useful to the agency’s preparation of the environmental impact statement. Therefore, comments should be provided prior to the close of the comment period and should clearly articulate the reviewer’s concerns and contentions.

Comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be part of the public record for this proposed action. Comments submitted anonymously will be accepted and considered, however.

Dated: October 25, 2011.

Eric J. Winthers, Acting District Ranger.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 68–2011]

Foreign Trade Zone 177—Evansville, IN; Application for Manufacturing Authority; Hoosier Stamping & Mfg. Corp. (Wheel Assemblies and Accessories), Chandler, IN

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Ports of Indiana, grantee of FTZ 177, requesting manufacturing authority on behalf of Hoosier Stamping & Mfg. Corp. d/b/a Hoosier Wheel (Hoosier Stamping), located in Chandler, Indiana. 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 October 25, 2011.

The Hoosier Stamping facility (25 employees, 9.44 acres, 9,500,000 unit capacity) is located within Site 8 of FTZ 177. The facility is used for the manufacture, warehousing, packaging, processing, inspecting, repairing and distributing of wheel assemblies and accessories. Components and materials sourced from abroad (representing up to 60% of the value of the finished product) include: pneumatic tires, tubes, rolled rim rings, semi-pneumatic tires, herring-bone tires, welding wires and bolts (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 3.7%). The application also requests authority to include a broad range of inputs and finished wheel assemblies that Hoosier Stamping may produce under FTZ procedures in the future. New major activity involving these inputs/products would require review by the FTZ Board.

FTZ procedures could exempt Hoosier Stamping from customs duty payments on the foreign components used in export production. The company anticipates that approximately one percent of the plant’s shipments will be exported. On its domestic sales, Hoosier Stamping would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to finished wheel assemblies (duty-free) for the foreign inputs noted above. FTZ designation would further allow Hoosier Stamping to realize logistical benefits through the use of weekly customs entry procedures. Customs duties also could be deferred or reduced on foreign status production equipment. The request indicates that the savings from FTZ procedures would help improve the plant’s international competitiveness.

In accordance with the Board’s regulations, Elizabeth Whiteman of the FTZ Staff is designated examiner to evaluate and analyze the facts and information presented in the application and case record and to report findings and recommendations 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 December 30, 2011. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to January 17, 2012.

A copy of the application will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 2111, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230–0002, and in the “Reading Room” section of the Board’s Web site, which is accessible via http://www.trade.gov/ftz.

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