The facilities (2,479 employees) are used to produce marine inboard, outboard and jet pump engines for the U.S. market and export. Components and materials sourced from abroad include: oil, alcohols, adhesives, plastic casings, adhesive sheets/plates, ethylene bags, packaging materials, rubber profiles/tubes/hoses/gaskets, belts, valves, ball/roller bearings, oil seals, antifreeze, articles of wood, paper books and labels, decals, PVC, fiberglass, iron or non alloy tubes/pipes/profiles/ fittings, chain, fasteners, springs, wire/cable, base metal mountings, internal parts of marine engines, gears, ignition systems, electrical components, compasses, gauges, measuring and controlling instruments, starters, flywheels, pulleys, shafts, electric motors, propellers, electromagnetic couplings, electronic components, pumps, and filters (duty rates: free—9.8%).

The applicant is now requesting authority to expand the scope of authority to include marine stern drives and transom assemblies as additional finished products to be manufactured under FTZ procedures. The applicant also requests that the scope of FTZ manufacturing authority be expanded to include additional foreign-sourced components to be used in FTZ production activity. New components to be sourced from abroad (representing 41% of the value of the finished products) include: transom fittings, fittings, linear (fluid power) cylinders, covers, propeller hub assemblies, and electrodes (anodes) (duty rate range: free—6.2%). Expanded FTZ procedures continued to exempt Mercury Marine from customs duty payments on the additional foreign-origin components used in production for export. On its domestic shipments, the company would be able to elect the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to finished stern drives and transom assemblies (free—3.9%) for the foreign inputs noted above. Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign status production equipment. The Mercury Marine would also be exempt from duty payments on foreign inputs that become scrap during the production process.

In accordance with the Board’s regulations, Pierre Duy 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 following address: Office of the Executive Secretary, Room 2111, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230—0002. The closing period for receipt of comments is February 21, 2012. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to March 7, 2012.

A copy of the application will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Foreign-Trade Zones Board’s Executive Secretary at the address listed above and in the “Reading Room” section of the Board’s Web site, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz. For further information, contact Pierre Duy at Pierre.Duy@trade.gov or (202) 482—1378.

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Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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[Docket 80—2011]

Foreign-Trade Zone 7—Mayaguez, PR, Expansion of Manufacturing Authority; Amgen Manufacturing Limited (Biotechnology and Healthcare Products), Juncos, PR

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Puerto Rico Industrial Development Company, grantee of FTZ 7, requesting an expansion of the scope of manufacturing authority approved within Subzone 7M, on behalf of Amgen Manufacturing Limited (Amgen) in Juncos, Puerto Rico. 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 15, 2011. Subzone 7M (2,838 employees, 75 million vial and 38 million syringe capacity) was approved by the Board in 2008 for the manufacture of epo-gen® (epoetin alfa), neupogen® (filgrastim), ran-sen® (darbepoetin alfa), en-brel® (etanercept), kineret® (anakinra), and neulasta® (pegfilgrastim) (Board Order 1597, 73 FR 78290—78291, 12—22—2008). The subzone facility (221 acres) is located at Road PR 31 Km. 24.6, in Juncos, Puerto Rico.

The current request involves an expansion of the capacity of the facility to 98 million vials and 50 million syringes as well as the addition of the following new products: Sensipar® (cinacalcet), enbrel® (enanercept) with auto injector and denosumab. New components and materials sourced from abroad (representing 1% of the value of the finished product) include: sucrose formulation, sodium citrate, sensipar bulk API, L-glutamine USP, antisera and blood fractions modified immunological products, resin, sunbright polyether, phenyl sepharose, acrylic polymers, auto injector devices, stoppers, plungers rods, partitions, dispenser packs, packing material, vials, filters and syringes (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 35.74e/kg). The application also requests authority to include a broad range of inputs and finished biotechnology and healthcare products that Amgen may produce under FTZ procedures in the future. New major activity involving these inputs/products would require review by the FTZ Board. The scope otherwise would remain unchanged.

FTZ procedures could exempt Amgen from customs duty payments on the additional capacity and foreign components used in export production. The company anticipates that some 48 percent of the plant’s shipments will be exported. On its domestic sales, Amgen would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to sensipar® (cinacalcet), enbrel® (enanercept) with auto injector and denosumab (duty-free) for the foreign inputs noted above. The request indicates that the savings from FTZ procedures 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 February 21, 2012. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to March 7, 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 www.trade.gov/ftz.

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Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Foreign Trade-Zones Board
[Docket 79–2011]

Proposed Foreign-Trade Zone; Miami, Florida Area Under Alternative Site Framework

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board (the Board) by Miami-Dade County to establish a general-purpose foreign-trade zone at sites in Miami, Florida, within the Miami Customs and Border Protection (CBP) port of entry, under the alternative site framework (ASF) adopted by the Board (74 FR 1170–1173, 1/12/09; correction 74 FR 3987, 1/22/09; 75 FR 71069–71070, 11/22/10). The ASF is an option for grantees for the establishment or reorganization of general-purpose zones and can permit significantly greater flexibility in the designation of new “usage-driven” FTZ sites for operators/users located within a grantee’s “service area” in the context of the Board’s standard 2,000-acre activation limit for a general-purpose zone project. 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 December 16, 2011. The applicant is authorized to make the proposal under Florida Statutes, title XIX, chapter 288, part III.

The proposed zone would be the fourth general-purpose zone for the Miami CBP port of entry. The existing zones are as follows: FTZ 32, Miami, Florida (Grantee: Greater Miami Foreign Trade Zone Inc., Board Order 123, 09/06/77); FTZ 166, Homestead, Florida (Grantee: Vision Foreign Trade Zone Inc., Board Order 482, 08/17/90); and, FTZ 180, Miami ( Wynwood), Florida (Grantee: Wynwood Community Economic Development Corporation, Board Order 543, 11/18/91).

The applicant’s proposed service area under the ASF would be the northern half of Miami-Dade County, Florida, delineated by SW 8th Street (SR–90/US 41) as the southern boundary. If approved, the applicant would be able to serve sites throughout the service area based on companies’ needs for FTZ designation. The proposed service area is within the Miami Customs and Border Protection port of entry.

The proposed zone would include three “magnet” sites in Miami-Dade County: Proposed Site 1 (520 acres)—Dante B. Fasceл Port of Miami, 1015 North America Way, Miami; Proposed Site 2 (423 acres)—Flagler Logistics Hub, 6875 NW 58th Street, Miami; and, Proposed Site 3 (419 acres)—Flagler Station, 10505 NW 112th Avenue, Miami. Site 1 is owned by Miami-Dade County, and Sites 2 and 3 are privately owned. The ASF allows for the possible exemption of one magnet site from the “sunset” time limits that generally apply to sites under the ASF, and the applicant proposes that Site 1 be so exempted.

The application indicates a need for zone services in Miami-Dade County, Florida. Several firms have indicated an interest in using zone procedures for warehousing/distribution activities for a variety of products. Specific manufacturing approvals are not being sought at this time. Such requests would be made to the Board on a case-by-case basis.

In accordance with the Board’s regulations, Kathleen Boyce 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 February 21, 2012. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to March 7, 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 www.trade.gov/ftz.

For further information, contact Kathleen Boyce at Kathleen.Boyce@trade.gov or (202) 482–1346.

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Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.