SUMMARY:

ACTION: To suspend a currently approved information collection.

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Rural Utilities Service (RUS) invites comments on this information collection for which approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) will be requested.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by November 5, 2012.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 1846]

Reorganization of Foreign-Trade Zone 189 Under Alternative Site Framework, Kent, Ottawa, and Muskegon Counties, MI

Pursuant to its authority under the Foreign-Trade Zones Act of June 18, 1934, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a–81u), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) adopts the following Order:

Whereas, the Board adopted the alternative site framework (ASF) (74 FR 1170, 01/12/09; correction 74 FR 3987, 01/22/09; 75 FR 71069–71070, 11/22/10) as an option for the establishment or reorganization of general-purpose zones; Whereas, the Kent-Ottawa-Muskegon Foreign-Trade Zone Authority, grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 189, submitted an application to the Board (FTZ Docket 12–2012, filed 03/1/2012) for authority to reorganize under the ASF with a service area of Kent, Ottawa and Muskegon counties, Michigan, within and adjacent to the Grand Rapids
Customs and Border Protection port of entry, and FTZ 189’s existing Sites 1–9 would be categorized as magnet sites; 

Whereas, notice inviting public comment was given in the Federal Register (77 FR 14000, 3/8/2012) and the application has been processed pursuant to the FTZ Act and the Board’s regulations; and, 

Whereas, the Board adopts the findings and recommendations of the examiner’s report, and finds that the requirements of the FTZ Act and the Board’s regulations are satisfied, and that the proposal is in the public interest; 

Now, therefore, the Board hereby orders: 

The application to reorganize FTZ 189 under the alternative site framework is approved, subject to the FTZ Act and the Board’s regulations, including Section 400.13, to the Board’s standard 2,000-acre activation limit for the overall general-purpose zone project, and to a five-year ASF sunset provision for magnet sites that would terminate 

Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at JJessup@doc.gov). 

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Larry Hall, BIS ICB Liaison, (202) 482–4895. Lawrence.Hall@bis.doc.gov. 

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 

I. Abstract 

This collection of information is required by the Defense Production Act (DPA). The DPA requires U.S. firms to furnish information (15 CFR 701) to the Department of Commerce regarding offset agreements exceeding $5,000,000 in value associated with sales of weapon systems or defense-related items to foreign countries or foreign firms. Offsets are industrial or commercial compensation practices required as a condition of purchase in either government-to-government or commercial sales of defense articles and/or defense services as defined by the Arms Export Control Act and the International Traffic in Arms Regulations. Such offsets are required by most major trading partners when purchasing U.S. military equipment or defense related items. An annual report based on offset agreements and offset transactions data reported to BIS by industry is submitted to Congress on the impact of offsets in defense trade on the United States. 

II. Method of Collection 

Submitted electronically or on paper. 

III. Data 

OMB Control Number: 0694–0084. 

Form Number(s): N/A. 

Type of Review: Regular submission (extension of a currently approved information collection). 

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations. 

Estimated Number of Respondents: 30. 

Estimated Time per Response: 12 hours. 

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 360. 

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: $0. 

IV. Request for Comments 

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (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 respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. 

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record. 

Dated: August 30, 2012. 

Gwennar Banks, 
Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer. 
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE 

International Trade Administration 

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Interim Procedures for Considering Requests and Comments From the Public for Textile and Apparel Safeguard Actions on Imports From Korea 

AGENCY: International Trade Administration. 

ACTION: Notice. 

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. 

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before November 5, 2012. 

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at JJessup@doc.gov). 

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Maria D’Andrea, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, Tel. (202) 482–4058, maria_dandrea@ita.doc.gov, Fax. (202) 482–0667.