

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B-80-2012]

Foreign-Trade Zone 163—Ponce, PR; Notification of Proposed Production Activity; Zimmer Manufacturing BV (Medical Devices); Ponce, PR

CODEZOL, C.D., grantee of FTZ 163, submitted a notification of proposed production activity on behalf of Zimmer Manufacturing BV (Zimmer), located in Ponce, Puerto Rico. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on November 1, 2012.

A separate application for subzone status at the Zimmer facility was submitted and will be processed under Section 400.31 of the Board's regulations. The facility is used for the production, warehousing and distribution of orthopedic implants for knee and hip reconstruction as well as trauma devices. Production under FTZ procedures could exempt Zimmer from customs duty payments on the foreign status components used in export production. On its domestic sales, Zimmer would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to the finished products (duty-free) for the foreign status inputs noted below. Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign status production equipment.

Components and materials sourced from abroad include: polymers of ethylene in primary forms; acrylic polymers in primary forms; silicones in primary forms; self-adhesive shapes of plastics; other shapes of plastics; packaging; bars, rods, angles shapes and sections of stainless steel; articles of iron or steel; and, artificial joints, parts and accessories (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 6.5%).

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is December 26, 2012.

A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 21013, 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 Elizabeth Whiteman at

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Dated: November 5, 2012.

Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

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International Trade Administration

Michigan State University, et al.; Notice of Decision on Applications for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instruments

This is a decision pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-651, as amended by Pub. .106-36; 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301). Related records can be viewed between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. in Room 3720, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC.

Docket Number: 12-036. *Applicant:* Michigan State University, 2555 Engineering Building, Department of Mechanical Engineering, East Lansing, MI 48824-1226. *Instrument:* Diode Pumped High speed Nd:YAG laser system. *Manufacturer:* Edgewave GmbH, Germany. *Intended Use:* See notice at 77 FR 61739, October 11, 2012. *Comments:* None received. *Decision:* Approved. We know of no instruments of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instruments described below, for such purposes as this is intended to be used, that was being manufactured in the United States at the time of its order.

Reasons: The instrument will be used as a diagnostics equipment to study high temperature combustion occurring in a laboratory combustor with highly turbulent flows, specifically to detect chemical species of combustion in conditions that are similar to actual engine operating conditions. The system will be used to pump a dye laser to generate ultra-violet light which can be used to rack chemical species during combustion, such as hydroxyl (OH) radicals. The hydroxyl which is excited using ultraviolet light (283 nm) will then fluoresce and can be detected using an intensified CCD camera. The key requirements that this system fulfills are the beam profile of $M^2 < 2$, to ability to perform sub 10 ns pulses with all the different specifications, and the crystals inside are all temperature controlled to phase match regardless of the outside temperature fluctuations.

Dated: November 8, 2012.

Gregory W. Campbell,
Director, Subsidies Enforcement Office,
Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

National Construction Safety Team Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Construction Safety Team (NCST) Advisory Committee (Committee) will meet on Monday, December 10, 2012 from 8:30 to 5:00 p.m. Eastern time. The primary purpose of this meeting is to update the Committee on the status of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Disaster and Failure Studies Program, receive NIST's response to the Committee's 2011 annual report recommendations, update the Committee on the progress of the NIST Technical Investigation of the May 22, 2011 Tornado in Joplin, MO, and gather information for the Committee's 2012 Annual Report to Congress. The agenda may change to accommodate Committee business. The final agenda will be posted on the NIST Web site at <http://www.nist.gov/el/disasterstudies/ncst/>.

DATES: The NCST Advisory Committee will meet on Monday, December 10, 2012 from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Eastern time. The meeting will be open to the public.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in Lecture Room B, Administration Building, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), 100 Bureau Drive, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899. Please note admittance instructions under the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Eric Letvin, Director, Disaster and Failure Studies Program, 100 Bureau Drive, Mail Stop 8600, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-8600. Mr. Letvin's email address is eric.letvin@nist.gov and his phone number is (301) 975-5412.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee was established pursuant to Section 11 of the NCST Act (15 U.S.C. 7310). The Committee is composed of ten members, appointed by the Director of NIST, who were selected for their technical expertise and experience,