DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

B–34–2013

Foreign-Trade Zone 20—Suffolk,
Virginia; Application for
Reorganization and Expansion Under
the Alternative Site Framework

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board (the Board) by the Virginia Port Authority, grantee of FTZ 20, requesting authority to reorganize and expand the zone under the alternative site framework (ASF) adopted by the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.2(c)). The ASF is an option for grantees for the establishment or reorganization of zones and can permit significantly greater flexibility in the designation of new “subzone/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 zone. 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 April 18, 2013.

FTZ 20 was approved by the Board on April 15, 1975 (Board Order 105, 40 FR 17884, 4/23/75); relocated on January 17, 1977 (Board Order 114, 42 FR 4187, 1/24/77); and, on March 16, 1981 (Board Order 173, 46 FR 18063, 3/23/81); and, expanded on May 8, 1997 (Board Order 887, 62 FR 28445, 5/23/97), on July 28, 2000 (Board Order 1113, 65 FR 50179, 8/17/00), on April 5, 2001 (Board Order 1163, 66 FR 20235, 4/20/01), and on May 21, 2010 (Board Order 1683, 75 FR 30782–30783, 6/2/10). The current zone includes the following sites: Site 1 (22 acres)—Kerma Medical Products, 215 Suburban Drive, Suffolk; Site 2 (10 acres)—Evans Distribution Systems, 324 Moore Avenue, Suffolk; Site 3 (72.3 acres total)—Givens, Inc., 1720 S. Military Highway, Chesapeake; Site 4 (905 acres)—Norfolk International Terminals, 7737 Hampton Boulevard, Norfolk; Site 5 (242 acres)—Portsmouth Marine Terminal, 2000 Seaboard Avenue, Portsmouth; Site 6 (184 acres)—Newport News Marine Terminal, 25th and Warwick Boulevard, Newport News; Site 7 (490 acres)—Warren County Industrial Corridor, Routes 340, 522 and 661, Front Royal; Site 8 (133 acres)—Bridgewater Commerce Park, Interstate 664, Suffolk; Site 9 (689 acres)—Avalon Industrial Park, Interstate 64 and U.S. Route 12, Chesapeake; Site 10 (26 acres)—D.D. Jones Transfer & Warehouse, Inc., 1920 Campostella Road, Chesapeake; Site 11 (177 acres)—New Boone Farm Industrial Park, Interstate 664, Chesapeake; Site 12 (60 acres)—Port Centre Commerce Park, I–264, Portsmouth; Site 13 (139 acres)—Suffolk Industrial Park, 595 Carolina Road, Suffolk; Site 14 (6187 acres)—Goddard Space Flight Center, Wallops Flight Facility, Wallops Island; Site 15 (449 acres)—Accomack Airport Industrial Park, U.S. Highway 13 and Parkway Road, Melfa; Site 16 (5 acres)—Battlefields Lakes Technical Center, 525 & 533 Byron Street, Chesapeake; Site 17 (4 acres)—Butts Station Commerce Center, 600, 604 & 608 Greentree Road, Chesapeake; Site 18 (130 acres)—Port of Cape Charles Sustainable Technologies Industrial Park, U.S. 13 on SR 1108, Cape Charles; Site 19 (323 acres)—Shirley T. Holland Commerce Park, 25400 Old Mill Road, Windsor; Site 21 (85 acres)—Virginia Regional Commerce Park, 2930 Pruden Boulevard, Suffolk; Site 22 (18 acres)—Port Norfolk Holdings Warehouse, 1157 Production Road, Norfolk; Site 23 (101 acres)—Virginia Commerce Center, 351 Konyon Road, Suffolk; Site 24 (219 acres)—Westport Commerce Center, Manning Bridge Road, Suffolk; Site 25 (13 acres)—Cargoways Ocean Services, Inc., 631 Carolina Road, Suffolk; Site 32 (7 acres)—PATCO Industries Inc., 1357 Taylor Farm Road, Virginia Beach (expires 10/31/13); and, Site 33 (5 acres)—PATCO Industries Inc., 2873 Crusader Circle, Virginia Beach (expires 10/31/13). (Sites 1–18 and 25 are subject to a sunset provision of May 31, 2013 and Sites 19 and 21–24 are subject to a sunset provision of May 31, 2015.)

The grantee’s proposed service area under the ASF would be the Counties of Accomack, Gloucester, Isle of Wight, James City, Mathews, Northampton, Southampton, Sussex, Surry, and York and the Cities of Chesapeake, Franklin, Hampton, Newport News, Norfolk, Poquoson, Portsmouth, Suffolk, Virginia Beach and Williamsburg, Virginia, as described in the application. If approved, the grantee would be able to serve sites throughout the service area based on companies’ needs for FTZ designation. The proposed service area is within and adjacent to the Norfolk-Newport News Customs and Border Protection port of entry.

The applicant is requesting authority to reorganize its existing zone under the ASF as follows: to renumber parcel A of Site 7 as Site 7; to renumber parcel B of Site 7 as Site 27; to renumber parcel C of Site 7 as Site 28; to renumber parcel D of Site 7 as Site 29; to renumber parcel E of Site 7 as Site 30; to renumber parcel F of Site 7 as Site 31; Sites 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 23, 24, 28, 29, 30 and 31 would become magnet sites; and, Sites 1, 2, 10, 22, 25, 27, 32 and 33 would become “usage-driven” sites. The applicant is also requesting to expand the zone to include a new magnet site: Proposed Site 34 (202 acres)—Suffolk Intermodal Center, 2700 Holland Road, Suffolk and, the following “usage-driven” site: Proposed Site 35 (54 acres)—Katoen Natie Norfolk, Inc., 810 Ford Drive, Norfolk.

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 4 be so exempted. The application would have no impact on FTZ 20’s previously authorized subzones.

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 shall be addressed to the Board’s Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing date for their receipt is June 24, 2013. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during
the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to July 8, 2013.

A copy of the application 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 Kathleen Boyce at Kathleen.Boyce@trade.gov or (202) 482–1346.

Dated: April 18, 2013.

Andrew McGilvray, Executive Secretary.

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Foreign-Trade Zones Board
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Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 75–Phoenix, Arizona; Notification of Proposed Production Activity; Orbital Sciences Corporation (Satellites and Spacecraft Launch Vehicles); Gilbert, Arizona

The City of Phoenix, grantee of FTZ 75, submitted a notification of proposed production activity on behalf of Orbital Sciences Corporation (OSC), located in Gilbert, Arizona. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on April 2, 2013.

The OSC facility is located within Site 10 of FTZ 75. The facility is used for the production of satellites and spacecraft launch vehicles. Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), FTZ activity would be limited to the specific foreign-status materials and components and specific finished products described in the submitted notification (as described below) and subsequently authorized by the FTZ Board.

Production under FTZ procedures could exempt OSC from customs duty payments on the foreign status materials and components used in export production. On its domestic sales, OSC would be able to choose the duty rate during customs entry procedures that applies to satellites and spacecraft launch vehicles (free) for the foreign status inputs noted below. Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign status production equipment.

The components and materials sourced from abroad include:

Pyrotechnic detonators/fuses/bolt cutters; plastic tapes; thermal tubes; polyethylene films (ballotin); insulation (kapton) films; thermal isolator washers; articles of rubber (rings, seals); flight cases; insulation and insulation mats; cable restraints; pipelines; filters; graphite panels; optic solar reflectors; mirrors; fiberglass sheeting and tape; articles of steel (wire, adapters, flanges, hoses, plugs, fittings, couplers, springs, shims, cradles, turnbuckles, bushings); fasteners; articles of copper (wire, shims, nozzles); articles of aluminum (covers, reflectors, shims); hydraulic positioners; flange assemblies; pumps and pumping systems; manifolds; air dryers; fuel scales and systems; instruments; telemetry units; computer processors; automated test systems; storage drives; insulated pipes; metal adapters/gaskets/seals; solar drives; power supplies; batteries; heating elements; radio reception/transmission devices; avionics; power blocks; inverters; converters; telemetry components; antennae; receivers; electrical components; printed-circuit boards/panels; test/measurement equipment; radiation detectors; solar arrays; transformers; magnetometers; attenuators; wiring/cable harnesses; fiber optic cables; optical and electrical sensors; power meters; gauges; interferometers; shock recorders; expansion panels; and monitoring systems (duty rate ranges from free to 20%). Inputs included in certain textile categories (classified within HTSUS Subheadings 5601.21, 5607.50) will be admitted to the zone under privileged foreign status (19 CFR 146.41) or domestic (duty paid) status (19 CFR 146.43), thereby precluding inverted tariff benefits on such items.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the FTZ Board’s Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is June 3, 2013.

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 FTZ 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

Bureau of Industry and Security

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Application for NATO International Competitive Bidding

AGENCY: Bureau of Industry and Security, Commerce.

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 June 24, 2013.

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 Jessup@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

Opportunities to bid for contracts under the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Security Investment Program (NSIP) are only open to firms of member NATO countries. NSIP procedures for international competitive bidding (AC/4–D/2261) require that each NATO country certify that their respective firms are eligible to bid on such contracts. This is done through the issuance of a “Declaration of Eligibility.” The U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) is the executive agency responsible for certifying U.S. firms. The BIS–4023P is the application form used to collect information needed to ascertain the eligibility of a U.S. firm. BIS will review applications for completeness and accuracy, and