Responsible Officials
Regional Director, Region 1, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Idaho State Director, Bureau of Land Management
Regional Forester, Region 1, U.S. Forest Service
Director, Cœur d’Alene Tribal Department of Natural Resources
Director, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality
Director, Idaho Department of Fish and Game

Nature of Decision To Be Made
The Trustees will adopt a restoration plan that will coordinate and implement projects to restore, replace, rehabilitate, or acquire the equivalent of the injured natural resources in the Basin and the services they provide.

Scoping Process
This notice of intent initiates the scoping process, which guides the development of the EIS. Further information on how and when input can be provided is specified in the ADDRESS and DATES sections of this notice. 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: June 3, 2013.
Robyn Thorson,
Regional Director, Region 1, Authorized Official for the U.S. Department of Interior, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and Bureau of Land Management.

Dated: June 6, 2013.
Faye L. Krueger,
Regional Forester, Region 1, Authorized Official for U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Foreign-Trade Zones Board
[B–58–2013]
Foreign-Trade Zone 83—Huntsville, Alabama: Application for Production Authority; Toray Carbon Fibers America, Inc.; (Polycrylonitrile Fiber/Carbon Fiber Production), Decatur, Alabama

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board by the Huntsville-Madison County Airport Authority, grantee of FTZ 83, requesting production authority on behalf of Toray Carbon Fibers America, Inc. (Toray), located in Decatur, Alabama. The application conforms to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) as received on May 30, 2013.

The Toray facility (233 employees) is located at 2030 Alabama 20, Decatur, Alabama. A separate application for subzone status at the Toray facility is planned and will be processed under Section 400.31 of the FTZ Board’s regulations. The facility is used for the production of polyacrylonitrile (PAN)-based carbon fiber, and PAN fiber, the primary material input for the company’s carbon fiber. The facility will produce carbon fiber from both its own domestically-produced PAN and from foreign-sourced PAN.

Production under FTZ procedures could exempt Toray from customs duty payments on the foreign materials used in export production. The company anticipates that some 15 to 20 percent of the plant’s carbon fiber shipments will be exported, and some 5 to 10 percent of its PAN fiber production will be exported. On its domestic sales, Toray would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to its finished carbon fiber (duty free) for the foreign inputs noted below. (The PAN fiber produced at the plant has higher duty rates than any of its foreign-sourced components.) Toray would also be exempt from duty payments on any foreign-origin materials that become scrap or waste during manufacture. Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign status production equipment.

Components and materials sourced from abroad (representing 70–75% of the value of the finished carbon fiber made from foreign-sourced PAN, and less than 1% of the value of carbon fiber made from domestically-produced PAN) include PAN fiber (duty rates, 7.5%—4,000 tow and 8%—12,000 tow), and sizing agents, spinning oils, solvents and spools/bobbins (duty rates range from 3.7–6.5%).

The request indicates that the savings from FTZ procedures would help improve the plant’s international competitiveness.

In accordance with the FTZ Board’s regulations, Diane Finver 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 FTZ Board’s Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is August 12, 2013. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to August 27, 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 FTZ Board’s Web site, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.