

2001 was published on December 2, 2002 (67 FR 71537).

In October 2002, DARRP hired the accounting firm of Cotton and Company LLP (Cotton) to review and certify DARRP costs incurred on cases for purposes of cost recovery and to develop indirect rates for FY 2002 and subsequent years. As in the prior years, Cotton concluded that the cost accounting system and allocation practices of the DARRP component organizations are consistent with federal accounting requirements. Consistent with R&M's previous analyses, Cotton also determined that the most appropriate indirect allocation method continues to be the Direct Labor Cost Base for all three DARRP component organizations. The Direct Labor Cost Base is computed by allocating total indirect cost over the sum of direct labor dollars, plus the application of NOAA's leave surcharge and benefits rates to direct labor. Direct labor costs for

contractors from I.M. Systems Group (IMSG) were included in the direct labor base because Cotton determined that these costs have the same relationship to the indirect cost pool as NOAA direct labor costs. IMSG provided on-site support to the DARRP in the areas of injury assessment, natural resource economics, restoration planning and implementation, and policy analysis. IMSG continues to provide on-site support to the DARRP. Starting in FY 2010, contractors from Genwest provide on-site support for cost documentation. Subsequent federal notices have been published in the **Federal Register** as follows:

- FY 2002, published on October 6, 2003 (68 FR 57672)
- FY 2003, published on May 20, 2005 (70 FR 29280)
- FY 2004, published on March 16, 2006 (71 FR 13356)
- FY 2005, published on February 9, 2007 (72 FR 6221)

- FY 2006, published on June 3, 2008 (73 FR 31679)
- FY 2007 and FY 2008, published on November 16, 2009 (74 FR 58948)
- FY 2009 and FY 2010, published on October 20, 2011 (76 FR 65182)
- FY 2011, published on September 17, 2012 (77 FR 57074)

Cotton's reports on these indirect rates can also be found on the DARRP Web site at www.darrp.noaa.gov.

Cotton reaffirmed that the Direct Labor Cost Base is the most appropriate indirect allocation method for the development of the FY 2012 indirect cost rates.

The DARRP's Indirect Cost Rates and Policies

The DARRP will apply the indirect cost rates for FY 2012 as recommended by Cotton for each of the DARRP component organizations as provided in the following table:

DARRP component organization	FY 2012 indirect rate (percent)
Office of Response and Restoration (ORR)	117.18
Restoration Center (RC)	59.80
General Counsel Natural Resources Section (GCNRS)	21.48

These rates are based on the Direct Labor Cost Base allocation methodology.

The FY 2012 rates will be applied to all damage assessment and restoration case costs incurred between October 1, 2011 and September 30, 2012. DARRP will use the FY 2012 indirect cost rates for future fiscal years, beginning with FY 2013, until subsequent year-specific rates can be developed.

For cases that have settled and for cost claims paid prior to the effective date of the fiscal year in question, the DARRP will not re-open any resolved matters for the purpose of applying the revised rates in this policy for these fiscal years. For cases not settled and cost claims not paid prior to the effective date of the fiscal year in question, costs will be recalculated using the revised rates in this policy for these fiscal years. Where a responsible party has agreed to pay costs using previous year's indirect rates, but has not yet made the payment because the settlement documents are not finalized, the costs will not be recalculated.

Dated: August 13, 2013.

David Westerholm,
Director, Office of Response and Restoration.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 1912]

Expansion of Foreign-Trade Zone 84; Houston, Texas

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 Port of Houston Authority, grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 84, submitted an application to the Board for authority to expand FTZ 84 to include a site in Brazos County, Texas, adjacent to the Houston Customs and Border Protection port of entry (B-10-2013, docketed 1/31/2013);

Whereas, notice inviting public comment has been given in the **Federal Register** (78 FR 8492-8493, 2/6/2013) 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 would be satisfied if subject to specific conditions;

Now, therefore, the Board hereby orders:

The application to expand FTZ 84 is approved, subject to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations, including Section 400.13, and to the Board's standard 2,000-acre activation limit, and further subject to sunset provisions that would terminate authority on August 31, 2018, for Sites 2, 3, 5, 12, 14, 23 and 26 where no activity has occurred under FTZ procedures before that date.

Signed at Washington, DC, this August 23, 2013.

Ronald K. Lorentzen,
Acting Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Import Administration, Alternate Chairman, Foreign-Trade Zones Board.

ATTEST:

Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

United States Travel and Tourism Advisory Board Charter Renewal

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.