DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board
[B–31–2017]

Foreign-Trade Zone 19—Omaha, Nebraska, Application for Reorganization Under Alternative Site Framework

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board by the Greater Omaha Chamber of Commerce, grantee of FTZ 19, requesting authority to reorganize the zone under the alternative site framework (ASF) adopted by the FTZ Board (15 CFR Sec. 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 subzones or “usage-driven” FTZ sites for operators/users located within a grantee’s “service area” in the context of the FTZ 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 docketed on May 15, 2017.

FTZ 19 was approved by the FTZ Board on January 27, 1983 (Board Order 204, 48 FR 5772, February 8, 1983). The current zone includes the following sites: Site 1 (17 acres)—Cargo Zone, LLC, 6200 North 16th Street, Omaha; and, Site 2 (38 acres)—Riverfront Industrial Park, Abbott Drive and Crown Point Avenue, Omaha.

The grantee’s proposed service area under the ASF would be Burt, Cass, Dodge, Douglas, Sarpy, Saunders and Washington Counties, Nebraska, and adjacent to the Omaha, Nebraska metropolitan area and to the Buffalo, Kansas metropolitan area. The grantee’s proposed service area is within the “service area” under the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board’s standard 2,000-acre activation limit for a zone.

The grantee’s proposed service area under the ASF would be 1,033,762 acres (412 square miles). This service area is substantially larger than the present zone, which is 10,320 acres (25 square miles). The grantee’s proposed service area has more than 260 companies as customers.

The grantee is requesting authority to reorganize its existing zone to include two sites currently designated as ‘‘magnet’’ sites. The ASF would allow for the possible exemption of one magnet site from the ‘‘sunset’’ time limits that generally apply to sites under the ASF. The magnet sites are currently 20 acres in size—Riverfront Industrial Park, Abbott Drive and Crown Point Avenue and 640 acres—Riverfront Industrial Park, Riverfront Point Avenue, Omaha.

Valeo North America, Inc., submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facility in Dallas, Texas, within FTZ 39-Site 1. The notification conformed to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on April 12, 2017.

Valeo already has authority to produce air-conditioner compressor assemblies for motor vehicles. The current request would add certain foreign-status components to the scope of authority. Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), additional FTZ authority would be limited to the specific foreign status components described in the submitted notification (as described below) and subsequently authorized by the FTZ Board.

Production under FTZ procedures could exempt Valeo from customs duty payments on foreign status components used in export production. On its domestic sales, Valeo would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to air-conditioner compressor assemblies and electromagnetic compressor/clutch assemblies in the company’s existing scope of authority (duty rate ranges from free to 3.1%). Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign-status production equipment. The components sourced from abroad include: Stainless steel bolts; stainless steel screws (less than and more than 6mm in diameters); and, electromagnetic shims and rings (duty rate ranges from free to 8.5%).

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 July 17, 2017.

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.

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Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board
[B–25–2017]

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 39—Dallas-Fort Worth, Texas, Notification of Proposed Production Activity, Valeo North America, Inc., d/b/a Valeo Compressor North America, (Motor Vehicle Air-Conditioner Compressors), Dallas, Texas

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration
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AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) is conducting an administrative review and a new