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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This business meeting is open to the public. There will also be a call-in line for individuals who desire to listen to the presentations: (888) 329-8893; Conference ID 842-6586.

Deaf or hard of hearing persons who will attend the briefing and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact Pamela Dunston at (202) 376-8105 or at [signlanguage@usccr.gov](mailto:signlanguage@usccr.gov) at least three business days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

**Meeting Agenda**

## I. Approval of Agenda

## II. Business Meeting

## A. Headquarters Reports and Program Planning

- Discussion and Vote on Discovery Plan, Outline, Timeline, and Briefing Date and Location for FY 2018 Statutory Enforcement Report on Voting Rights
- Discussion and Vote on Briefing Schedule for FY 2018 Projects (School Discipline and Hate Crimes)
- Discussion and Vote on LGBT Employment Discrimination Report

## B. State Advisory Committees

- Vote on appointments to the Utah State Advisory Committee
- Vote on appointments to the Hawaii State Advisory Committee
- Vote on appointments to the Mississippi State Advisory Committee
- Vote on appointments to the Missouri State Advisory Committee

## C. Management and Operations

- Staff Director's Report

## D. Presentation by California Advisory Committee member

Nancy Eisenhart on the Committee's recent report, Voting Integrity in California

## E. Presentation by Wisconsin

Advisory Committee Chair Naheed Bleecker on the Committee's recent report, Hate Crimes and Civil Rights in Wisconsin

## F. [To begin at 11 a.m. EST]

Presentation on History of Voting Rights

- a. Alexander Keyssar, Matthew W. Stirling, Jr., Professor of History and Social Policy at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government
- b. Mary Ellen Curtin, Associate Professor of History at American University

## III. Adjourn Meeting.

Dated: August 7, 2017.

**Brian Walch,**

*Director, Communications and Public Engagement.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****Economic Development Administration****Notice of National Advisory Council on Innovation and Entrepreneurship Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Economic Development Administration, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of an Open Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The National Advisory Council on Innovation and Entrepreneurship (NACIE) will hold a public meeting on Thursday, August 24, 2017, from 1:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) and Friday, August 25, 2017, from 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. ET. During this time, members will hear from Federal innovation and entrepreneurship policymakers and program executives and discuss potential policies that would foster innovation, increase the rate of technology commercialization, and catalyze the creation of jobs in the United States. Topics to be covered include innovative manufacturing, rural growth through innovation and entrepreneurship, apprenticeships in entrepreneurship and high-growth technology sectors, and alignment of federal innovation and entrepreneurship policies and programs.

**DATES:**

Thursday, August 24, 2017

*Time:* 1:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m. ET

Friday, August 25, 2017

*Time:* 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. ET

**ADDRESSES:** Herbert Clark Hoover Building (HCHB), 1401 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20230, Room 72015. The entrance to HCHB is located on the west side of 14th St. NW. between D St. NW. and Constitution Ave. NW., and a valid government-issued ID is required to enter the building. Please note that pre-clearance is required in order to both attend the meeting in person and make a statement during the public comment portion of the meeting. Please limit comments to five minutes or less and submit a brief statement summarizing your comments to Craig Buerstatte (see contact information below) no later than 11:59 p.m. ET on Friday, August 18, 2017.

**Teleconference**

Teleconference and/or web conference connection information will be published prior to the meeting along with the agenda on the NACIE Web site at <https://www.eda.gov/oie/nacie/>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT:**

Craig Buerstatte, Office of Innovation and Entrepreneurship, Room 78018, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; email: [nacie@doc.gov](mailto:nacie@doc.gov); telephone: +1 202 482 8001; fax: +1 202 273 4781. Please reference "NACIE August 2017 Meeting" in the subject line of your correspondence.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** NACIE,

established by Section 25(c) of the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980, as amended (15 U.S.C. 3720(c)), and managed by EDA's Office of Innovation and Entrepreneurship (OIE), is a Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) committee that provides advice directly to the Secretary of Commerce. NACIE's advice focuses on transformational policies and programs that aim to accelerate innovation and increase the rate at which research is translated into companies and jobs, including through entrepreneurship and the development of an increasingly skilled, globally competitive workforce. Comprised of successful entrepreneurs, innovators, angel investors, venture capitalists, and leaders from the nonprofit and academic sectors, NACIE has presented to the Secretary recommendations from throughout the research-to-jobs continuum regarding topics including improving access to capital, growing and connecting entrepreneurial ecosystems, increasing small business-driven research and development, and understanding the workforce of the future. In its advisory capacity, NACIE also serves as a vehicle for ongoing dialogue with the innovation, entrepreneurship, and workforce development communities.

The final agenda for the meeting will be posted on the NACIE Web site at <http://www.eda.gov/oie/nacie/> prior to the meeting. Any member of the public may submit pertinent questions and comments concerning the NACIE's affairs at any time before or after the meeting. Comments may be submitted to Craig Buerstatte (see contact information below). Those unable to attend the meetings in person but wishing to listen to the proceedings can do so using the teleconference set forth herein above. Copies of the meeting minutes will be available by request within 90 days of the meeting date.

Dated: August 3, 2017.

**Craig Buerstatte,**

*Acting Director, Office of Innovation and Entrepreneurship.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B-50-2017]

#### **Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 98— Birmingham, Alabama; Notification of Proposed Production Activity; Brose North America Inc. (Automotive Seats, Drives and Door Frames); Vance, Alabama**

Brose North America Inc. (Brose) submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facility in Vance, Alabama within FTZ 98. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on August 2, 2017.

The applicant indicates that it will be submitting a separate application for FTZ designation at the Brose facility under FTZ 98. The facility is used for the production of seats, drives, and door frames for the automotive industry. 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 Brose from customs duty payments on the foreign-status components used in export production. On its domestic sales, for the foreign-status materials/components noted below, Brose would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to: Seat frames; seat adjusters for motor vehicles powered with electric DC motors; seat pans; cooling fans for automobiles; and, doors for automobiles (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 2.5%). Brose would be able to avoid duty on foreign-status components which become scrap/waste. Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign-status production equipment.

The components and materials sourced from abroad include: Plastic tubes and hoses; plastic tube protectors; decals; plastic spacers and other articles of plastic; rubber spacers; labels; steel self-tapping screws; screw and nut assemblies; steel locking lugnuts; steel torsion spring washers and lock washers; steel rivets; metal fasteners;

steel cable drum wires; steel metal clips; locks; base metal mountings; steel brackets; metal mounting for seats; steel tubular rivets; steel bearing balls; plain shaft bearings with housings; gear boxes; gears and gearing; gearing housings; synchronous electric DC motors of an output under 18.65 watts; electric DC motors of an output not exceeding 37.5 watts; universal AC/DC motors of an output between 37.5 watts and 746 watts; DC motors of an output between 37.5 watts and 14.92 kilowatts; DC generators; multi-phase AC motors exceeding 74.6 watts but not exceeding 735 watts; electrical lighting or signaling equipment; electrical circuit switching and protection components; vehicle body stampings; lock rods; lock actuators; guide rails for door assemblies; measuring instruments; seat frames; seat pans; coated cross tubes; side panels; slider assemblies; and ink ribbons used for printers (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 8.5%).

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 September 18, 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 Board's Web site, which is accessible via [www.trade.gov/ftz](http://www.trade.gov/ftz).

For further information, contact Elizabeth Whiteman at [Elizabeth.Whiteman@trade.gov](mailto:Elizabeth.Whiteman@trade.gov) or (202) 482-0473.

Dated: August 3, 2017.

**Andrew McGilvray,**

*Executive Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B-48-2017]

#### **Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 230— Piedmont Triad Area, North Carolina; Notification of Proposed Production Activity; Klausner Home Furnishings (Upholstered Furniture); Asheboro and Candor, North Carolina**

Klausner Home Furnishings (Klausner) submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facilities in Asheboro and

Candor, North Carolina within Subzone 230D. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on July 24, 2017.

Klausner currently has authority to conduct cut-and-sew activity using certain foreign micro-denier suede upholstery fabrics to produce upholstered furniture and related parts (upholstery cover sets) on a restricted basis (see Board Order 1745 (76 FR 11426, March 2, 2011) and Doc. B-1-2016 (81 FR 37570, June 10, 2016)).

The current request would add foreign status materials/components to the scope of authority. Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), additional FTZ authority would be limited to the specific foreign-status materials/components described in the submitted notification (as described below) and subsequently authorized by the FTZ Board.

Production under FTZ procedures could exempt Klausner from customs duty payments on the foreign-status materials/components used in export production. On its domestic sales, for the foreign-status materials/components noted below, Klausner would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to: upholstered seats (duty-free). Klausner would be able to avoid duty on foreign-status components which become scrap/waste. Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign-status production equipment.

The materials/components sourced from abroad include: Spring actuators; motors exceeding 74.6 watts but not exceeding 735 watts; AC/DC adapters having a power handling capacity of 1 kVA; transformers; lithium battery packs; handsets with USB; and, cables (duty rate ranges from free to 4%). The request indicates that lithium battery packs will be admitted to the zone in privileged foreign status (19 CFR 146.41), thereby precluding inverted tariff benefits on such items.

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 September 18, 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 Board's Web site, which is accessible via [www.trade.gov/ftz](http://www.trade.gov/ftz).

For further information, contact Elizabeth Whiteman at