

matters related to the design, collection, tabulation, and analysis of federal economic statistics.

2. The Committee will function solely as an advisory committee to the senior officials of BEA, the Census Bureau, and BLS (the agencies). Important aspects of the Committee's responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

a. Recommending research to address important technical problems arising in federal economic statistics;

b. Identifying areas in which better coordination of the agencies' activities would be beneficial;

c. Exploring ways to enhance the agencies' economic indicators to make them timelier, more accurate, and more specific to meeting changing demands and future data needs;

d. Improving the means, methods, and techniques to obtain economic information needed to produce current and future economic indicators; and

e. Coordinating, in its identification of agenda items, with other existing academic advisory committees chartered to provide agency-specific advice, for the purpose of avoiding duplication of effort.

3. The Committee functions solely as an advisory body under the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

4. The Committee reports to the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs.

#### Membership

1. The Committee is comprised of approximately 16 members who serve at the pleasure of the Secretary of Commerce. Members serve renewable three year terms. The Committee is currently filling eight seats. In future years, the involved agencies will stagger the starting date of new members to avoid large numbers of vacancies at one time.

2. Members shall be selected by the Department of Commerce and appointed by the Secretary, in consultation with the Census Bureau, BEA, and BLS and under the coordination of the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs.

3. Committee members shall be professionals in appropriate disciplines, including economists, statisticians, survey methodologists, data scientists, and behavioral scientists who are prominent experts in their fields, recognized for their scientific, professional, and operational achievements and objectivity.

4. Membership will represent data users with expertise from the public sector, academia, and the private sector. Membership will be chosen to achieve a balance that will meet the needs of the Secretary.

a. Members shall serve as Special Government Employees (SGEs) and shall be subject to ethics rules applicable to SGEs.

b. Members will serve for a three-year term. Members may serve multiple terms at the discretion of the Secretary, in consultation with the agencies.

c. Membership renewal will be reevaluated by the Secretary, in consultation with the agencies, at the conclusion of each member's current term. Factors considered for renewal include: Current needs of the Secretary, meeting attendance, and active participation.

d. Should a Committee member be unable to complete a three-year term, at the Secretary's discretion and in consultation with the agencies, a new member may be selected to complete that term for the duration of the time remaining or begin a new term of three years.

e. The agencies, by consensus agreement, shall appoint the chairperson annually from the Committee membership. Chairpersons shall be permitted to succeed themselves.

5. Committee members are selected in accordance with applicable Department of Commerce guidelines.

6. The Committee aims to have balanced representation, considering such factors as geography and technical and scientific expertise. The Committee will include members from diverse backgrounds, including academia and private enterprise, which are further diversified by business type or industry, geography, and other factors.

7. Members shall not reference or otherwise utilize their membership on the Committee in connection with public statements made in their personal capacities without a disclaimer that the views expressed are their own and do not represent the views of the Federal Economic Statistics Advisory Committee, the Census Bureau, BEA, BLS, or the Departments of Commerce or Labor.

#### Miscellaneous

1. Members of the Committee serve without compensation, but may receive reimbursement for Committee-related travel and lodging expenses.

2. The Committee meets once or twice a year, budget permitting. Additional meetings may be held as deemed necessary by the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs or Designated Federal Official. All Committee meetings are open to the public in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

#### Nomination Information

1. Nominations are requested as described above.

2. Committee members shall be professionals in appropriate disciplines, including economists, statisticians, survey methodologists, data scientists, and behavioral scientists who are prominent experts in their fields, recognized for their scientific, professional, and operational achievements and objectivity. Nominees must be prominent experts in their fields, and recognized for their scientific and professional achievements and objectivity. Such knowledge and expertise are needed to advise the agencies on statistical methodology and other technical matters related to the collection, tabulation, and analysis of federal economic statistics.

3. Individuals, groups, and/or organizations may submit nominations on behalf of an individual candidate. A summary of the candidate's qualifications (resume or curriculum vitae) must be included along with the nomination letter. Nominees must be able to actively participate in the tasks of the Committee including, but not limited to, regular meeting attendance, Committee meeting discussant responsibilities, review of materials, as well as participation in conference calls, webinars, working groups, and special Committee activities.

4. The Department of Commerce is committed to equal opportunity in the workplace and seeks diverse Committee membership.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

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##### **Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 158— Jackson, Mississippi; Notification of Proposed Production Activity; Calsonic Kansei North America (Automotive Parts), Canton, Mississippi**

Calsonic Kansei North America (CKNA) submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facility in Canton, Mississippi. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on February 21, 2019.

CKNA facility is located within Site 21 of FTZ 158. The facility will be used to produce a variety of automotive parts and subassemblies for use in 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 CKNA 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 and in CKNA's other pending production notification for its Mississippi facilities (Docket B-67-2018), CKNA would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to: Condensers and compressors for air conditioning (a/c) systems; a/c blower assemblies; shrouds and motor fans for engine cooling assemblies; heaters and a/c unit assemblies; a/c amplifiers; manual a/c control units; automatic a/c control units; rear wheel wind deflectors; catalytic convertor assemblies; antenna digital control modules; smart keyless antennas; audio control switches; airbag occupant electronic control units; sensor and diagnosis air bag service kits; air bag unit sensors; interior vehicle sub-harnesses; main interior vehicle harness assemblies; harnesses for occupant detection systems; rubber radiator hoses; console finishers; center console assemblies; glove box assemblies; knee protector bracket assemblies; glove box latches; air guide for front end module assemblies; speakers; radiator core supports; exhaust center tube assemblies; exhaust front tube assemblies; exhaust main and center muffler assemblies; power steering tubes; automatic transmission oil cooler assemblies; radiator grille assemblies; fuel tank level sensors; instrument cluster assemblies; and, relays (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 6%). CKNA 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: Safety, warning, and identification labels; glove box dampers; rubber grommets, mounts, and seals; steel hex screws; polypropylene and talc plastic fuse covers; steel exhaust tubes; air vents; motor fan housings; a/c evaporators with seals; plastic air intake doors;

mechanical links and levers for intake doors; plastic switch retaining brackets; center console boxes; plastic switch brackets; plastic covers; air duct center vents; dashboard speaker covers; cup holders; plastic lids; hinge plastic covers; console removable liners; windshield defrost ducts; dashboard pads; plastic center console pockets; motor fan splash guards; radiator reserve tanks; center console trays; air filter covers; steel reinforcement brackets for consoles; steel muffler end plates; and, air intake ducts (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 7%). The request indicates that certain materials/components are subject to special duties under Section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962 (Section 232) or Section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 (Section 301), depending on the country of origin. The applicable Section 232 and Section 301 decisions require subject merchandise to be admitted to FTZs in privileged foreign status (19 CFR 146.41).

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 April 22, 2019.

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 website, which is accessible via [www.trade.gov/ftz](http://www.trade.gov/ftz).

For further information, contact Christopher Wedderburn at [Chris.Wedderburn@trade.gov](mailto:Chris.Wedderburn@trade.gov) or (202) 482-1963.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

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#### **Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 78— Nashville, Tennessee; Notification of Proposed Production Activity; Calsonic Kansei North America (Automotive Parts), Shelbyville and Lewisburg, Tennessee**

Calsonic Kansei North America (CKNA) submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ

Board for its facilities in Shelbyville and Lewisburg, Tennessee. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on February 21, 2019.

A separate application for FTZ designation at the CKNA facilities under FTZ 78 is currently pending. The facilities will be used to produce a variety of automotive parts and subassemblies for use in 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 CKNA 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 and in CKNA's other pending production notification for its Tennessee facilities (Docket B-65-2018), CKNA would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to: Condensers and compressors for air conditioning (a/c) systems; a/c blower assemblies; shrouds and motor fans for engine cooling assemblies; heaters and a/c unit assemblies; a/c amplifiers; manual a/c control units; automatic a/c control units; rear wheel wind deflectors; catalytic convertor assemblies; antenna digital control modules; smart keyless antennas; audio control switches; airbag occupant electronic control units; sensor and diagnosis air bag service kits; air bag unit sensors; interior vehicle sub-harnesses; main interior vehicle harness assemblies; harnesses for occupant detection systems; rubber radiator hoses; console finishers; center console assemblies; glove box assemblies; knee protector bracket assemblies; glove box latches; air guide for front end module assemblies; speakers; radiator core supports; exhaust center tube assemblies; exhaust front tube assemblies; exhaust main and center muffler assemblies; power steering tubes; automatic transmission oil cooler assemblies; radiator grille assemblies; fuel tank level sensors; instrument cluster assemblies; and, relays (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 6%). CKNA 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.