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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B-32-2019]

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 84—Harris County, Texas; Notification of Proposed Production Activity; Coreworks, LLC (Brazed Aluminum Heat Exchangers and Cryogenic Equipment); Katy, Texas

Coreworks, LLC (Coreworks) submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facility in Katy, Texas. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on April 30, 2019.

The applicant indicates that it will be submitting a separate application for FTZ designation at the Coreworks facility under FTZ 84. The facility is used for the production of brazed aluminum heat exchangers and cryogenic equipment. 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 Coreworks 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, Coreworks would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to: Brazed aluminum heat exchangers; brazed aluminum heat exchanger parts; and, steel and aluminum cryogenic cold boxes (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 4.2%). Coreworks 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: Aluminum fin stock; hollow aluminum end bars for core blocks; custom-shape, alloy aluminum end bars for core blocks; aluminum tubing structural shapes and supports; aluminum parting sheets for cores; aluminum braze foils; aluminum header and nozzle pipes; aluminum flanges; stainless steel skid cold box heat exchanger piping; stainless steel skid cold box structures; stainless steel fittings; steel flanges; stainless steel threaded fittings; butt welded fittings; steel forged fittings; vacuum braze furnace vacuum pumps; induction and resistance vacuum braze furnaces; seals, gaskets, pumps, filters and condenser panels for vacuum braze furnaces; die stamping presses; steel process separator drums; and, steel process vessel columns (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 6.5%). 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 and sent to: ftz@trade.gov. The closing period for their receipt is June 17, 2019.

A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection in the "Reading Room" section of the Board's website, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

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

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Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B-30-2019]

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 20—Norfolk, Virginia; Notification of Proposed Production Activity; STIHL, Incorporated (Outdoor Power Equipment); Virginia Beach, Virginia

STIHL, Incorporated (STIHL) submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facility in Virginia Beach, Virginia. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on May 1, 2019.

STIHL already has authority to produce outdoor power equipment and their parts within Subzone 20E. 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 STIHL 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, STIHL would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to: Blowers, trimmers, sprayers, cutters, cultivators, and chainsaws (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 4.7%). STIHL 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 portable sprayers, tool holders, lithium battery primary cells, recorded media, electronic modules, and apparatus for measuring voltage (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 3.9%). The request indicates that lithium battery primary cells will be admitted to the zone in privileged foreign status (19 CFR 146.41), thereby precluding inverted tariff benefits on such items. The request also indicates that certain materials/components are subject to special duties under Section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 (Section

301), depending on the country of origin. The applicable Section 301 decisions require subject merchandise to be admitted to FTZs in privileged foreign status.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary and sent to: ftz@trade.gov. The closing period for their receipt is June 17, 2019.

A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection in the "Reading Room" section of the Board's website, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

For further information, contact Juanita Chen at juanita.chen@trade.gov or 202-482-1378.

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Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B-31-2019]

Foreign-Trade Zone 134— Chattanooga, Tennessee; Application for Production Authority; Wacker Polysilicon North America, LLC (Polysilicon); Charleston, Tennessee

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board by the Chattanooga Chamber Foundation, grantee of FTZ 134, requesting production authority on behalf of Wacker Polysilicon North America, LLC (Wacker), located in Charleston, Tennessee. The application conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.23) was docketed on May 2, 2019.

Wacker's facility (700 employees, 564 acres) is located within Subzone 134B. The facility is used for the production of polysilicon. Production under FTZ procedures could exempt Wacker from customs duty payments on the foreign components used in export production. The company anticipates that some 90 percent of the plant's shipments will be exported. On its domestic sales, Wacker would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to hyperpure polysilicon (duty-free) for the foreign-status input noted below. Wacker 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 request indicates that

the savings from FTZ procedures would help improve the plant's international competitiveness.

Material sourced from abroad (representing 10-20% of the value of the finished product) is silicon metal (5.3% duty rate). Wacker is requesting authority subject to a restriction prohibiting the admission of foreign status silicon metal subject to an antidumping or countervailing duty order.

In accordance with the FTZ Board's regulations, Elizabeth Whiteman 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 FTZ Board.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the FTZ Board's Executive Secretary and sent to: ftz@trade.gov. The closing period for their receipt is July 8, 2019. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to July 23, 2019.

A copy of the application will be available for public inspection in the "Reading Room" section of the FTZ Board's website, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

For further information, contact Elizabeth Whiteman at ElizabethWhiteman@trade.gov or (202) 482-0473.

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Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B-33-2019]

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 29— Louisville, Kentucky; Notification of Proposed Production Activity; Hitachi Automotive Systems Americas, Inc. (Automotive Components); Harrodsburg and Berea, Kentucky

Hitachi Automotive Systems Americas, Inc. (Hitachi) submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facilities in Harrodsburg and Berea, Kentucky. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on May 2, 2019.

Hitachi already has authority to produce automotive components within Subzone 29F. 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 Hitachi 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, Hitachi would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to the finished products described and approved in prior requests, including: Electric-hybrid drive systems; mass air sensors; throttle bodies and chambers; starter motors; motor/generator units; alternators; distributors; static converters; inverter modules; rotors/stators; batteries; ignition coils; sensors and modules; fuel injectors; emissions control equipment; valves; pumps; automotive battery management systems; fuel rail Assemblies; and, electronic control units for engines and transmissions (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 4.4%). Hitachi 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 cooling sheets and wire harnesses (duty rate ranges from 5 to 5.8%). The request indicates that certain materials/components are subject to special duties under Section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 (Section 301), depending on the country of origin. The applicable 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 and sent to: ftz@trade.gov. The closing period for their receipt is June 17, 2019.

A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection in the "Reading Room" section of the Board's website, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

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