Limitations
Retail Exemptions Adjusted Dollar Limitations
AGENCY: Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA.
ACTION: Notice.
SUMMARY: The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is announcing the dollar limitations on the amount of meat and meat food products and poultry and poultry products that a retail store can sell to hotels, restaurants, and similar institutions without disqualifying itself for exemption from Federal inspection requirements.
DATES: Applicable: July 24, 2019.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gina Kouba, Office of Policy and Program Development, Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Room 6065, South Building, Washington, DC 20250; (202) 720–5627.
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Background
The Federal Meat Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 601 et seq.) and the Poultry Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 451 et seq.) provide a comprehensive statutory framework to ensure that meat and meat food products and poultry and poultry products prepared for commerce are wholesome, not adulterated, and properly labeled and packaged. Statutory provisions requiring inspection of the processing of meat and meat food products and poultry and poultry products do not apply to operations of types traditionally and usually conducted at retail stores and restaurants in regard to products offered for sale to consumers in normal retail quantities (21 U.S.C. 661(c)(2) and 454(c)(2)). FSIS’s regulations (9 CFR 303.1(d) and 381.10(d)) elaborate on the conditions under which requirements for inspection do not apply to retail operations involving the preparation of meat and meat food products and the processing of poultry and poultry products.

Sales to Hotels, Restaurants, and Similar Institutions
Under the aforementioned regulations, sales to hotels, restaurants, and similar institutions (other than household consumers) disqualify a retail store from exemption if the retail product sales exceed either of two maximum limits: 25 percent of the dollar value of the total retail product sales of the amenable product or the calendar year retail dollar limitation set by the FSIS Administrator. The retail dollar limitation is adjusted automatically during the first quarter of the year if the Consumer Price Index (CPI), published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, shows an increase or decrease of more than $500 in the price of the same volume of product for the previous year. FSIS publishes a notice of the adjusted retail dollar limitations in the Federal Register. (See 9 CFR 303.1(d)(2)(iii)(b) and 381.10(d)(2)(iii)(b)).
The CPI for 2018 reveals an annual average price increase for meat and meat food products at 0.41 percent and an annual average price increase for poultry and poultry products at 0.32 percent. When rounded to the nearest dollar, the retail dollar limitation for meat and meat food products increased by $310 and the retail dollar limitation for poultry and poultry products increased by $183. In accordance with 9 CFR 303.1(d)(2)(iii)(b) and 381.10(d)(2)(iii)(b), because the retail dollar limitations for meat and meat food products and poultry and poultry products did not increase or decrease by more than $500, FSIS is making no adjustment in the retail dollar limitations on sales to hotels, restaurants, and similar institutions.

The retail dollar limitation for meat and meat food products remains unchanged at $75,700 and the retail dollar limitation for poultry and poultry products remains unchanged at $56,600 for calendar year 2019. FSIS is currently considering the retail dollar limitations for Siluriformes fish and fish products. FSIS intends to include Siluriformes fish and fish products in its calculations for retail dollar limitations for meat products in future Federal Register notices that announce retail dollar limitations.

Congressional Review Act
Pursuant to the Congressional Review Act at 5 U.S.C. 801 et seq., the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs has determined that this notice is not a "major rule," as defined by 5 U.S.C. 804(2).

Additional Public Notification
Public awareness of all segments of rulemaking and policy development is important. Consequently, FSIS will announce this Federal Register notice on-line through its web page located at: http://www.fsis.usda.gov/federal-register.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Notice of Public Meeting of the California Advisory Committee

AGENCY: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Announcement of meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) that a meeting of the California Advisory Committee (Committee) to the Commission will be held at 12:00 p.m. (Pacific Time) Tuesday, July 23, 2019. The purpose of the meeting is for the Committee to begin planning for their briefing focused on the impact of immigration enforcement on California children.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 23, 2019 at 12:00 p.m. PT.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ana Victoria Fortes atafortes@usccr.gov or (213) 894–3437.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting is available to the public through the following toll-free call-in number: 877–260–1479, conference ID number: 2359522.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B–38–2019]

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 38—Spartanburg County, South Carolina; Notification of Proposed Production Activity; Teijin Carbon Fibers, Inc. (Polyacrylonitrile-Based Carbon Fiber); Greenwood, South Carolina

The South Carolina State Ports Authority, grantee of FTZ 38, submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board on behalf of Teijin Carbon Fibers, Inc. (TCF), located in Greenwood, South Carolina. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on June 7, 2019.

The applicant indicates that it will be submitting a separate application for FTZ designation at the TCF facility (currently under construction) under FTZ 38. The facility will be used for the production of polyacrylonitrile-based (PAN) carbon fiber. Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), FTZ activity would be limited to the specific foreign-status materials and components and a specific finished product described in the submitted notification (as described below) and subsequently authorized by the FTZ Board.

Production under FTZ procedures could exempt TCF 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, TCF would be able to choose the duty rate during customs entry procedures that applies to carbon fiber (duty free). TCF would be able to avoid duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign-status production equipment.

The components and materials sourced from abroad include sizing agent, spinning oil, 12,000 tow PAN precursor and 24,000 tow PAN precursor (duty rate ranges from 5.3% to 7.5%). 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 August 5, 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 Diane Finver at Diane.Finver@trade.gov or (202) 482–1367.

Dated: June 18, 2019.

Andrew McGilvary,
Executive Secretary.