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Members of the public are invited to make statements during the Public Comments section of the meeting—not to exceed five minutes—or to submit written comments. The comments must be received in the regional office approximately 30 days after the scheduled meeting. Written comments may be mailed to the Eastern Regional Office, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 1331 Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 1150, Washington, DC 20425, or emailed to Corrine Sanders at [ero@usccr.gov](mailto:ero@usccr.gov). Persons who desire additional information may phone the Eastern Regional Office at (202) 376-7533.

Records and documents discussed during the meeting will be available for public viewing as they become available at: <https://www.facadatabase.gov/FACA/FACAPublicViewCommitteeDetails?id=a10t000001gzjZAAQ>; click the “Meeting Details” and “Documents” links. Records generated from this meeting may also be inspected and reproduced at the Eastern Regional Office, as they become available, both before and after the meeting. Persons interested in the work of this advisory committee are advised to go to the Commission’s website, [www.usccr.gov](http://www.usccr.gov), or to contact the Eastern Regional Office at the above phone number, email or street address.

### Agenda

Thursday, November 21, 2019

Opening Remarks and Introductions  
(9:00 a.m.–9:15 a.m.)

Panel 1: (9:15 a.m.–10:45 a.m.)

Panel 2: (10:45 a.m.–12:15 p.m.)

Lunch break: (12:15 p.m.–1:00 p.m.)

Panel 3: (1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m.)

Panel 4: (2:30 p.m.–4:00 p.m.)

Public Comments: (4:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.)

Adjourn

Dated: October 21, 2019.

**David Mussatt,**

*Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.*

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## COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

### Notice of Public Meeting of the Florida 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 that the Florida Advisory Committee (Committee) will hold a meeting on Thursday, October 31, 2019, at 3:00 p.m. (EST), for the purpose of reviewing received testimony and discussing next steps in hearing testimony regarding Voters Suppression and Disenfranchisement Issues.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Thursday, October 31, 2019, at 3:00 p.m. (EST).

*Public Call Information:* Dial: 800-367-2403, Conference ID: 5151089.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Melissa Wojnaroski, DFO, at [mwojnaroski@usccr.gov](mailto:mwojnaroski@usccr.gov) or 312-353-8311.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Members of the public can listen to the discussion. This meeting is available to the public through the toll-free call-in number dial: 800-367-2403, Conference ID: 5151089. An open comment period will be provided to allow members of the public to make a statement as time allows. The conference call operator will ask callers to identify themselves, the organization they are affiliated with (if any), and an email address prior to placing callers into the conference room. Callers can expect to incur regular charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, according to their wireless plan. The Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Callers will incur no charge for calls they initiate over land-line connections to the toll-free telephone number. Persons with hearing impairments may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339 and providing the Service with the conference call number and conference ID number.

Written comments may be mailed to the Regional Program Unit Office, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 230 S Dearborn St., Suite 2120, Chicago, IL 60604. They may also be faxed to the Commission at (312) 353-8324 or may be emailed to the Regional Director, Jeff Hinton at [jhinton@usccr.gov](mailto:jhinton@usccr.gov). Records of the meeting will be available via [www.facadatabase.gov](http://www.facadatabase.gov) under the

Commission on Civil Rights, Florida Advisory Committee link. Persons interested in the work of this Committee are directed to the Commission’s website, <http://www.usccr.gov>, or may contact the Regional Program Unit at the above email or street address.

### Agenda

Welcome and Roll Call  
*Discussion:* Voters Suppression and Disenfranchisement Issues  
Public Comment  
Adjournment

Dated: October 21, 2019.

**David Mussatt,**

*Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Census Bureau

#### Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Monthly Retail Surveys

**AGENCY:** U.S. Census Bureau, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** To ensure consideration, written comments must be submitted on or before December 24, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Thomas Smith, PRA Liaison, U.S. Census Bureau, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Room 7K250A, Washington, DC 20233 (or via the internet at [PRAComments@doc.gov](mailto:PRAComments@doc.gov)). You may also submit comments, identified by Docket Number USBC-2019-0014, to the Federal e-Rulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. All comments received are part of the public record. No comments will be posted to <http://www.regulations.gov> for public viewing until after the comment period has closed. Comments will generally be posted without change. All Personally Identifiable Information (for example, name and address) voluntarily submitted by the commenter may be publicly accessible. Do not submit Confidential Business Information or otherwise sensitive or protected information. You may submit

attachments to electronic comments in Microsoft Word, Excel, or Adobe PDF file formats.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Paul Bucchioni, U.S. Census Bureau, EID HQ-8K181, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Washington, DC 20233-6500, (301) 763-7125 (or via the internet at [Paul.A.Bucchioni@census.gov](mailto:Paul.A.Bucchioni@census.gov)).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Abstract**

The Census Bureau plans to request an extension of the current Office of Management and Budget clearance for the surveys known as the Monthly Retail Trade Survey (MRTS) and the Advance Monthly Retail Trade Survey (MARTS). The MRTS and MARTS are related collections sharing the same initial sample frame and collect data that are published in conjunction with each other. Beginning with the previous clearance, these two surveys were combined under one control number 0607-0717 and are collectively called the Monthly Retail Surveys (MRS).

The Monthly Retail Trade Survey (MRTS) provides estimates of monthly retail sales, end-of-month merchandise inventories, and quarterly e-commerce sales for firms located in the United States and classified in the Retail Trade or Food Services sectors as defined by the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS).

Estimates produced from the MRTS are based on a probability sample of approximately 13,000 firms. The sample design consists of one fixed panel where all cases are requested to report sales, e-commerce sales, and/or inventories for the prior month. If reporting data for a period other than the calendar month, the survey asks for the period's length (4 or 5 weeks) and the date on which the period ended. The survey also asks for the number of establishments covered by the data provided and whether the sales data provided are estimates or more accurate "book" figures. The sample is drawn approximately every 5 years from the Business Register, which contains all Employer Identification Numbers (EINs) and listed establishment locations. The sample is updated quarterly to reflect employer business "births" and "deaths"; adding new employer businesses identified in the Business and Professional Classification Survey (SQ-CLASS) and deleting firms and EINs when it is determined they are no longer active. Estimates from the MRTS are released in

three different reports each month. High level aggregate estimates for end of month inventories are first released as part of the Advance Economic Indicators Report approximately four weeks after the close of the reference month. The sales and inventories estimates from MRTS are released approximately six weeks after the close of the reference month as part of the Monthly Retail Trade report and the Manufacturing and Trade Inventories and Sales (MTIS) report, which are released on the same day. Additionally, once per quarter, data for quarterly e-commerce sales are released approximately 50 days after the close of the reference quarter as part of the Quarterly Retail E-Commerce Sales report. Currently, there are no planned changes for MRTS.

The Advance Monthly Retail Trade Survey (MARTS) provides an early indication of monthly sales for retail trade and food services firms located in the United States. It was developed in response to requests by government, business, and other users to provide an early indication of current retail trade activity in the United States. Retail sales are one of the primary measures of consumer demand for both durable and non-durable goods. The MARTS survey results are published approximately two weeks after the end of the reference month. MARTS provide an OMB-designated Principal Federal Economic Indicator and the earliest available monthly estimates of broad-based retail trade activity. It also provides an estimate of monthly sales at food service establishments and drinking places.

The MARTS sample is a sub-sample of companies selected from the MRTS. The advance survey sample of about 5,500 companies are selected using a stratified sample by industry and size. Some 1,650 firms, because of their relatively large effect on the sales of certain industry groups, are selected with certainty. The MARTS sample is re-selected generally at 2½ to 3-year intervals to ensure it is representative of the target population and to redistribute burden for small- and medium-sized businesses.

Similarly to the MRTS sales estimates, advance sales estimates for each kind of business are developed by applying a ratio of current-month to previous-month sales (derived from the advance retail and food service sample) to the preliminary estimate of sales for the previous month (from the larger monthly sample). Industry estimates are summed to derive total retail sales figures.

The MARTS survey requests sales and e-commerce sales for the month just

ending. As on the MRTS survey, if firms report data for a period other than the calendar month, the survey asks for the period's length (4 or 5 weeks) and the date on which the period ended. Also similar to MRTS, the survey also asks for the number of establishments covered by the data provided and whether the sales data provided are estimates or more accurate "book" figures. Currently, there are no planned changes for MARTS.

The Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) uses the information collected on these surveys to prepare the National Income and Products Accounts, to benchmark the annual input-output tables and as critical inputs to the calculation of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP). Policymakers at the Federal Reserve Board (FRB), the National Economic Council, and other federal and state governmental agencies as well as many private sector entities rely on the timely estimates of retail sales when making monetary and economic policy decisions.

**II. Method of Collection**

We collect this information primarily by internet. We do collect a small portion of the data by mail, FAX, and telephone follow-up.

**III. Data**

*OMB Control Number:* 0607-0717.

*Form Number(s):* SM-4417A-A, SM-4417A-E, SM-4417AE-A, SM-4417AE-E, SM-4417AS-A, SM-4417AS-E, SM-7217A-A, SM-7217A-E, SM-4417S-A, SM-4417SE-A, SM-4417SSA, SM-7217S-A, SM-7217S-E, SM-4417S-E, SM-4417SE-E, SM-4417SS-E, SM-4417B-A, SM-4417BE-A, SM-4417BS-A, SM-4417B-E, SM-4417BE-E, SM-4417BS-E, SM-2017I-A, SM-2017I-E.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission.

*Affected Public:* Retail and Food Services firms in the United States.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* MRTS-13,000; MARTS-5,500.

*Estimated Time per Response:* MRTS-7 minutes; MARTS-5 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 18,200. (To eliminate duplication, firms that report to the MARTS survey are not required to provide sales and e-commerce sales information for MRTS. Therefore, we use the MRTS sample size and average burden per response to estimate the combined total annual burden for both surveys. The MRTS survey has the maximum number of questions for any given survey respondent as well as the longest estimated burden (at 7 min)).

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* \$0. (This is not the cost of respondents' time, but the indirect costs

respondents may incur for such things as purchases of specialized software or hardware needed to report, or expenditures for accounting or records maintenance services required specifically by the collection.)

*Respondent's Obligation:* Voluntary.

*Legal Authority:* Title 13 U.S.C. Section 131 and 182.

#### IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

**Sheleen Dumas,**

*Departmental Lead PRA Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Commerce Department.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B-42-2019]

#### **Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 92—Gulfport, Mississippi; Authorization of Production Activity; Vision Technologies Marine, Inc. (Ocean Going-Vessels: Compensators), Pascagoula, Mississippi**

On June 19, 2019, Vision Technologies Marine, Inc. (Vision Tech) submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facility within FTZ 92 in Pascagoula, Mississippi.

The notification was processed in accordance with the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR part 400), including notice in the **Federal Register** inviting public comment (84 FR 31293, July 1, 2019). On October 17, 2019, the applicant was notified of the FTZ Board's decision that no further review of the activity is warranted at this time.

The production activity described in the notification was authorized, subject to the FTZ Act and the FTZ Board's regulations, including Section 400.14, except for the foreign-status component identified as "tape" due to insufficient information. The applicant may, however, submit another notification of proposed production activity with more detailed information for the foreign-status component in question.

Dated: October 17, 2019.

**Andrew McGilvray,**

*Executive Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B-40-2019]

#### **Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 100—Dayton, Ohio; Authorization of Limited Production Activity; Whirlpool Corporation (Small Appliances); Greenville, Ohio**

On June 19, 2019, Whirlpool Corporation submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facility within FTZ 100, in Greenville, Ohio.

The notification was processed in accordance with the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR part 400), including notice in the **Federal Register** inviting public comment (84 FR 31021, June 28, 2019). On October 17, 2019, the applicant was notified of the FTZ Board's decision that further review of part of the proposed activity is warranted. The FTZ Board authorized the production activity described in the notification on a limited basis, subject to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations, including Section 400.14, and further subject to a restriction requiring that non-woven cotton cloth bags be admitted to the subzone in privileged foreign status (19 CFR 146.41). Given the applicant's commitment in its notification, the following components must also be admitted to the subzone in privileged foreign status: Cotton cloth covers not knitted or crocheted; cotton cloth covers; cloth covers; and, lithium-ion batteries.

Dated: October 17, 2019.

**Andrew McGilvray,**

*Executive Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B-43-2019]

#### **Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 176—Rockford, Illinois; Authorization of Production Activity; Staal & Plast USA, Inc. (Irrigation Trays); Sycamore, Illinois**

On June 24, 2019, Staal & Plast USA, Inc., submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facility within FTZ 176, in Sycamore, Illinois.

The notification was processed in accordance with the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR part 400), including notice in the **Federal Register** inviting public comment (84 FR 31833, July 3, 2019). On October 22, 2019, the applicant was notified of the FTZ Board's decision that no further review of the activity is warranted at this time. The production activity described in the notification was authorized, subject to the FTZ Act and the FTZ Board's regulations, including Section 400.14.

Dated: October 22, 2019.

**Andrew McGilvray,**

*Executive Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[S-215-2019]

#### **Foreign-Trade Zone 186—Waterville, Maine; Application for Subzone Expansion; Flemish Master Weavers, Sanford, Maine**

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the City of Waterville, grantee of FTZ 186, requesting an expansion of Subzone 186A on behalf of Flemish Master Weavers in Sanford, Maine. The application was submitted pursuant to the provisions of 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 October 18, 2019.

Subzone 186A currently consists of the following site: Site 1 (6.4 acres) 96 Gatehouse Road, Sanford. The proposed expansion would add 0.5 acres to the existing site. No authorization for expanded production activity has been requested at this time. The subzone will be subject to the existing activation limit of FTZ 186.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, Elizabeth Whiteman of the