

existing knowledge to develop new or improved goods and services.

Beginning in 2020, in an effort to reduce burden, BERD began rotating select content off the survey in alternating years. In 2020, questions related to detail of R&D performed by others, activities with academia, industries of business and specific federal agency funding R&D, and areas of application for R&D were removed from BERD. In 2021, all of those questions will be reintroduced to the survey and the Intellectual Property and Technology Transfer Section will be removed from the survey.

Beginning in 2021, the BERD will revise its existing Capital Expenditures section to collect additional information on assets. Cognitive testing on these questions conducted by the Census Bureau in 2018 revealed that these questions pose no substantive impact on burden (the data requested are all readily available in most companies' books) and would provide context on capital stock of R&D active companies not currently available in any other data source.

The 2021–2023 BERD will continue to collect the following types of information:

- R&D expense based on accepted accounting standards.
- Worldwide R&D of domestic companies.
- Business segment detail.
- R&D-related capital expenditures.
- Detailed data about the R&D workforce.
- R&D strategy and data on the potential impact of R&D on the market.
- R&D directed to application areas of particular national interest.
- Data measuring intellectual property protection activities and technology transfer.

Domestic and foreign researchers in academia, business, and government analyze and cite data from the BERD. Among the federal government users are the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) and the White House's Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP). BEA includes R&D in the system of national accounts that measures the economic well-being of the country. BERD data are key inputs into these accounts, which feed into the calculation of the U.S. Gross Domestic Product (GDP). The White House, in 2006, issued the American Competitiveness Initiative to "increase investments in research and development, strengthen education, and encourage entrepreneurship." In support of this initiative and in response to legislative mandates, data on R&D are delivered to OSTP, primarily in the biennial National

Science Board report Science and Engineering Indicators. Also, the National Science Foundation (NSF) produces a series of publications containing R&D data including the National Patterns of R&D Resources series, the S&E State Profile series, and the annual Business Enterprise Research and Development Survey series. Special reports and other publications are also prepared.

## II. Method of Collection

BERD will follow a primarily electronic collection strategy. The form will be available on the website to assist respondents with gathering the required data prior to reporting online. Paper forms will also be sent to respondents upon request, however no paper forms will be included in initial mail packets. The online survey automatically skips questions that do not apply [based on previous responses] and checks for common errors. Links to detailed question-by-question instructions will be embedded in the electronic instrument. Excel spreadsheets are available to facilitate the electronic collection of information from various areas of the companies. Respondents have the capability to download the spreadsheets from the Census Bureau's website. A consolidator spreadsheet is also available to assist companies that need to gather information from business units and then compile the information into one company report.

The due date will be six weeks after mail out.

## III. Data

*OMB Control Number:* 0607–0912.

*Form Number(s):* BRD–1.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission, Request for a Revision of a Currently Approved Collection.

*Affected Public:* For-profit businesses with at least 10 paid employees.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 47,500.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 124,450.

*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:* Mandatory.

*Legal Authority:* Title 13 U.S.C., Sections 8(b), 131 and 182; Title 42, U.S.C. Sections 1861–76 (National

Science Foundation Act of 1950, as amended).

## IV. Request for Comments

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department/Bureau to: (a) Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) Evaluate ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include, or summarize, each comment in our request to OMB to approve this ICR. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

**Sheleen Dumas,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B–48–2021]

### Foreign-Trade Zone 145—Shreveport, Louisiana, Application for Reorganization Under Alternative Site Framework

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board by the Caddo-Bossier Parishes Port Commission, grantee of FTZ 145, requesting authority to reorganize the zone under the alternative site framework (ASF) adopted by the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.2(c)). The ASF is an option for grantees for the establishment or reorganization of zones and can permit significantly greater flexibility in the designation of new subzones or

“usage-driven” FTZ sites for operators/users located within a grantee’s “service area” in the context of the FTZ Board’s standard 2,000-acre activation limit for a zone. The application was submitted pursuant to 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 June 22, 2021.

FTZ 145 was approved by the FTZ Board on January 7, 1988 (Board Order 370, 53 FR 1503, January 20, 1988) and expanded on March 25, 1996 (Board Order 809, 61 FR 15217, April 5, 1996). The current zone includes the following sites: *Site 1* (262 acres)—Shreveport Industrial Park, 2929 Baird Road, Shreveport; and, *Site 2* (2,000 acres)—Port of Shreveport-Bossier Terminal Complex, 6000 Doug Attaway Boulevard, Shreveport.

The grantee’s proposed service area under the ASF would be Caddo and Bossier Parishes, Louisiana, as described in the application. If approved, the grantee would be able to serve sites throughout the service area based on companies’ needs for FTZ designation. The application indicates that the proposed service area is within and adjacent to the Shreveport Customs and Border Protection port of entry.

The applicant is requesting authority to reorganize its existing zone to include both of the existing sites as “magnet” sites. The ASF allows for the possible exemption of one magnet site from the “sunset” time limits that generally apply to sites under the ASF, and the applicant proposes that Site 2 be so exempted. No subzones/usage-driven sites are being requested at this time. The application would have no impact on FTZ 145’s previously authorized subzones.

In accordance with the FTZ Board’s regulations, Camille Evans 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](mailto:ftz@trade.gov). The closing period for their receipt is August 27, 2021. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to September 13, 2021.

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](http://www.trade.gov/ftz).

For further information, contact Camille Evans at [Camille.Evans@trade.gov](mailto:Camille.Evans@trade.gov).

Dated: June 23, 2021.

**Andrew McGilvray,**  
*Executive Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A–533–873]

#### **Certain Cold-Drawn Mechanical Tubing of Carbon and Alloy Steel From India: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2019–2020**

**AGENCY:** Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that sales of certain cold-drawn mechanical tubing of carbon and alloy steel (cold-drawn mechanical tubing) from India were made at less than normal value during the period of review (POR) June 1, 2019, through May 31, 2020. We invite interested parties to comment on these preliminary results.

**DATES:** Applicable June 28, 2021.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Alexis Cherry or Samantha Kinney, AD/CVD Operations, Office VIII, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–0607 or (202) 482–2285, respectively.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### **Background**

On June 11, 2018, Commerce published the antidumping duty order on cold-drawn mechanical tubing from India.<sup>1</sup> On August 6, 2020, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.221(c)(i), Commerce initiated an administrative review of the *Order*, covering three producers/exporters.<sup>2</sup> On October 7, 2020, Pennar Industries Limited (a mandatory respondent) withdrew its request for administrative review of

<sup>1</sup> See *Certain Cold-Drawn Mechanical Tubing of Carbon and Alloy Steel from the People’s Republic of China, the Federal Republic of Germany, India, Italy, the Republic of Korea, and Switzerland: Antidumping Duty Orders; and Amended Final Determinations of Sales at Less Than Fair Value for the People’s Republic of China and Switzerland*, 83 FR 26962 (June 11, 2018) (*Order*).

<sup>2</sup> See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 85 FR 47734 (August 6, 2020).

itself.<sup>3</sup> Based on this request, we rescinded this review with respect to Pennar Industries Limited, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1).<sup>4</sup> The administrative review remains active with respect to the two remaining companies for which a review was initiated, *i.e.*, Goodluck India Limited (Goodluck)<sup>5</sup> and Tube Products of India, Ltd., a unit of Tube Investments of India Limited (collectively, TII). For details regarding the events that followed the initiation of this review, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.<sup>6</sup>

Pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), Commerce determined that it was not practicable to complete the preliminary results of this review within 245 days and extended the deadline for the preliminary results of this review by 120 days, until June 30, 2021.<sup>7</sup>

#### **Scope of the Order**

The product covered by this *Order* is cold-drawn mechanical tubing from India. For a full description of the scope, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

#### **Methodology**

Commerce is conducting this review in accordance with section 751(a) of the Act. For a full description of the methodology underlying these preliminary results, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum. A list of topics included in the Preliminary Decision

<sup>3</sup> See Pennar Industries Limited, “Withdrawal of Request for the Antidumping Duty of Pennar Industries Limited,” October 7, 2020.

<sup>4</sup> See *Certain Cold-Drawn Mechanical Tubing of Carbon and Alloy Steel from India: Partial Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2019–2020*, 85 FR 68039 (October 27, 2020).

<sup>5</sup> Commerce is only reviewing entries that were produced, but not exported, by Goodluck, and/or entries that were exported, but not produced, by Goodluck. Pursuant to a Court of International Trade decision, effective May 10, 2020, Commerce excluded from the antidumping duty order certain cold-drawn mechanical tubing of carbon and alloy steel that was produced and exported by Goodluck. See *Certain Cold-Drawn Mechanical Tubing of Carbon and Alloy Steel from India: Notice of Court Decision Not in Harmony with Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value; Notice of Amended Final Determination Pursuant to Court Decision; and Notice of Revocation of Antidumping Duty Order, in Part*, 85 FR 31742 (May 27, 2020) (*Timken Notice*).

<sup>6</sup> See Memorandum, “Certain Cold-Drawn Mechanical Tubing of Carbon and Alloy Steel from India: Decision Memorandum for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review and Preliminary Determination of No Shipments; 2018–2019,” dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

<sup>7</sup> See Memorandum, “Extension of Deadline for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2019–2020,” dated February 9, 2021.