

crude oil storage facility of the U.S. Department of Energy's Strategic Petroleum Reserve, located in Jefferson County, Texas (Subzone 116D), at the location described in the application, and subject to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations, including Section 400.28.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 10th day of June 1997.

Robert S. LaRussa,

Acting Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Import Administration, Alternate Chairman, Foreign-Trade Zones Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 48-97]

Foreign-Trade Zone 167—Brown County, WI; Application for Subzone Status; Sargento Foods Inc., Plant (Cheese Processing); Plymouth, WI

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by Brown County, Wisconsin, grantee of FTZ 167, requesting special-purpose subzone status for export activity at the cheese processing plant of Sargento Foods Inc. (SFI), located in Plymouth, Wisconsin. 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 filed on June 10, 1997.

The SFI plant (300,000 sq.ft. on 60 acres) is located at 1 Persnickety Place, Plymouth (Sheboygan County), Wisconsin, approximately 70 miles north of Milwaukee. The facility (650 employees) is used to process cheese food products for export and the domestic market; however, FTZ procedures would be used only to process foreign-origin cheese for export. The processing activity would involve shredding, slicing, chunking, and packaging foreign, ex-quota cheese that would be reexported to foreign markets. None of the foreign, ex-quota cheese would be entered for U.S. consumption.

FTZ procedures would exempt SFI from quota requirements and Customs duty payments on the foreign cheese used in the export activity. The application indicates that subzone status would help improve the plant's international competitiveness.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, a member of the FTZ Staff has been designated examiner to

investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment on the application is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and three copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is August 22, 1997. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to September 8, 1997.).

A copy of the application and the accompanying exhibits will be available for public inspection at each of the following locations:

U.S. Department of Commerce, Export Assistance Center, Room 596, 517 E. Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53202.

Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 3716, 14th Street & Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230-0002.

Dated: June 10, 1997.

Dennis Puccinelli,

Acting Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

North American Free-Trade Agreement (NAFTA), Article 1904 Binational Panel Reviews; Request for Panel Review

AGENCY: NAFTA Secretariat, United States Section, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of first request for panel review.

SUMMARY: On June 11, 1997, Cinsa, S.A. de C.V. ("Cinsa") and Esmaltaciones de Norte America, S.A. de C.V. ("ENSA") filed a First Request for Panel Review with the U.S. Section on the NAFTA Secretariat pursuant to Article 1904 of the North American Free Trade Agreement. Panel review was requested of the final antidumping determination made by the International Trade Administration in the eighth administrative review respecting Porcelain-on-Steel Cookware from Mexico. This determination was published in the **Federal Register** on May 12, 1997 (62 FR 25,908). The NAFTA Secretariat has assigned Case Number USA-97-1904-05 to this request.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

James R. Holbein, United States Secretary, NAFTA Secretariat, NAFTA Secretariat, Suite 2061, 14th and Constitution Avenue, Washington, DC 20230, (202) 482-5438.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Chapter 19 of the North American Free-Trade Agreement ("Agreement") establishes a mechanism to replace domestic judicial review of final determinations in antidumping and countervailing duty cases involving imports from a NAFTA country with review by independent binational panels. When a Request for Panel Review is filed, a panel is established to act in place of national courts to review expeditiously the final determination to determine whether it conforms with the antidumping or countervailing duty law of the country that made the determination.

Under Article 1904 of the Agreement, which came into force on January 1, 1994, the Government of the United States, the Government of Canada and the Government of Mexico established *Rules of Procedure for Article 1904 Binational Panel Reviews* ("Rules"). These Rules were published in the **Federal Register** on February 23, 1994 (59 FR 8686). The Panel review in this matter will be conducted in accordance with these Rules.

A first Request for Panel Review was filed with the U.S. Section of the NAFTA Secretariat, pursuant to Article 1904 of the Agreement, on June 11, 1997, requesting panel review of the final antidumping duty administrative review described above.

The Rules provide that:

(a) A Party or interested person may challenge the final determination in whole or in part by filing a Complaint in accordance with Rule 39 within 30 days after the filing of the first Request for Panel Review (the deadline for filing a Complaint is July 11, 1997);

(b) A Party, investigating authority or interested person that does not file a Complaint but that intends to appear in support of any reviewable portion of the final determination may participate in the panel review by filing a Notice of Appearance in accordance with Rule 40 within 45 days after the filing of the first Request for Panel Review (the deadline for filing a Notice of Appearance is July 28, 1997); and

(c) The panel review shall be limited to the allegations of error of fact or law, including the jurisdiction of the investigating authority, that are set out in the Complaints filed in the panel review and the procedural and substantive defenses raised in the panel review.

Dated: June 17, 1997.

James R. Holbein,

U.S. Secretary NAFTA Secretariat.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Government Owned Inventions Available for Licensing

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of government owned inventions available for licensing.

SUMMARY: The inventions listed below are owned by the U.S. Government, as represented by the Department of Commerce, and are available for licensing in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 207 and 37 CFR part 404 to achieve expeditious commercialization of results of federally funded research and development.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Technical and licensing information on these inventions may be obtained by writing to: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Industrial Partnerships Program, Building 820, Room 213, Gaithersburg, MD 20899; Fax 301-869-2751. Any request for information should include the NIST Docket No. and Title for the relevant invention as indicated below.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NIST may enter into a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement ("CRADA") with the licensee to perform further research on the invention for purposes of commercialization. The inventions available for licensing are:

NIST Docket Number: 95-050

Title: Fabrication of Embossed Diffractive Optics With Reusable Release Agent

Abstract: By this technique of chemically modifying the surface of a commercial master diffractive grating with a suitable release agent, replica gratings are inexpensively embossed onto float glass, ion diffused, polymer, semiconductor, and other types of optical waveguides.

NIST Docket Number: 96-029

Title: Cryogenic Current Comparator Based on Liquid Nitrogen Temperature Superconductors

Abstract: Electric currents maintained in precise integer ratio by a cryogenic current comparator (CCC) can be used to

measure the ratio of two standard resistors or determine the value of one current by measuring a second of larger or smaller value. This CCC operates at 77 K in a liquid nitrogen bath and uses the magnetic shielding of high-temperature superconductor (HTS) materials. It measures a wide range of resistance and current ratios with an uncertainty of approximately 1 part in 100 million. Nonexclusive, royalty-free licenses are available for this technology.

NIST Docket Number: 96-043

Title: Precision Linear Positioning Post

Abstract: The invention is a positioning post and precision translation mechanism for use in optic experiments and other scientific and engineering research. The positioning post is a translation stage contained within a 12.7 mm diameter cylinder. One end of the cylinder will translate relative to the other with minimal rotation, backlash, and wobble. Several positioning posts may be used in series to provide multi-axis positioning.

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Elaine Buntin-Mines,

Director, Program Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Jointly Owned Invention Available for Licensing

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of a jointly owned invention available for licensing.

SUMMARY: The invention listed below is jointly owned by the U.S. Government, as represented by the Department of Commerce and Morton International, Inc. The Department of Commerce's ownership interest in this invention is available for non-exclusive licensing in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 207 and 37 CFR part 404 to achieve expeditious commercialization of results of federally funded research and development.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Technical and licensing information on this invention may be obtained by writing to: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Industrial Partnerships Program, Building 820, Room 213, Gaithersburg, MD 20899; Fax 301-869-2751. Any request for information should include the NIST

Docket No. and Title for the relevant invention as indicated below.

The invention available for non-exclusive licensing is:

NIST Docket No. 95-047

Title: Non-Contact Method and Apparatus for Inspection of Inertia Welds.

Description: An electromagnetic acoustic transducer (EMAT) provides a means of non-contact inspection to detect internal inertia weld defects and web defects in spool-shaped aluminum airbag inflator igniter canisters. The method is non-destructive, efficient, reliable, and readily implemented.

Dated: June 17, 1997.

Elaine Buntin-Mines,

Director, Program Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Vessel Monitoring and Communications Requirements

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

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, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before August 22, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to James J. Morgan, 562-980-4036.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

NOAA is requesting emergency OMB review of new requirements needed for the implementation of an optional vessel monitoring system (VMS) in the crustacean fishery of the Western Pacific