

U.S. international transactions and national income and product accounts, and the international investment position of the United States. The data are also needed to measure the economic significance of foreign direct investment in the United States, measure changes in such investment, and assess its importance.

In addition, the data are needed by the Council of Economic Advisors, the Federal Reserve Board, and the Treasury Department in the conduct of U.S. international monetary policy. Such policy must be based upon an informed analysis of current information on cross border transactions, including transactions between U.S. affiliates and their foreign parents. The data are particularly valuable to these agencies because they are collected, analyzed, and published within 90 days after the end of each calendar quarter, allowing data users to see the consequences of changes in economic conditions almost immediately.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit institutions.

Frequency: Quarterly.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Legal Authority: Title 22 U.S.C.,

Sections 3101-3108, as amended.

OMB Desk Officer: Paul Bugg, (202) 395-3093.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Linda Engelmeier, DOC Forms Clearance Officer, (202) 482-3272, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Paul Bugg, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10201, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: December 4, 1997.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce (DOC) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 USC Chapter 35).

Agency: Patent and Trademark Office (PTO).

Title: Provisional Applications.

Form Number(s): PTO/SB/16.

Agency Approval Number: 0651-0037.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 200,000 hours.

Number of Respondents: 25,000.

Avg. Hours Per Response: The PTO estimates that it takes 8 hours for the public to gather, prepare, complete, and submit the provisional application to the PTO.

Needs and Uses: Certain provisions in the Paris Convention and the Uruguay Round Agreements give a 12-month filing date advantage to international applications. To prevent this from happening, Congress passed a law calling for a "provisional application" that establishes a filing date comparable to international ones. PTO collects information to review and process provisional applications submitted to them.

Affected Public: Individuals, businesses or other for-profit organizations, non-profit institutions, farms, Federal agencies or employees, and state, local, or tribal agencies or employees.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain a benefit.

OMB Desk Officer: Maya A. Bernstein (202) 395-3785

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Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication to Maya A. Bernstein, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, 725 17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., 20503.

Dated: December 3, 1997.

Linda Engelmeier,

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 935]

Grant of Authority for Subzone Status: Abbott Manufacturing, Inc. (Infant Formula, Adult Nutritional Products), Columbus, Ohio

Pursuant to its authority under the Foreign-Trade Zones Act of June 18, 1934, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) adopts the following Order:

Whereas, by an Act of Congress approved June 18, 1934, an Act "To provide for the establishment * * * of foreign-trade zones in ports of entry of the United States, to expedite and encourage foreign commerce, and for other purposes," as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u) (the Act), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) is authorized to grant to qualified corporations the privilege of establishing foreign-trade zones in or adjacent to U.S. Customs ports of entry;

Whereas, the Board's regulations (15 CFR Part 400) provide for the establishment of special-purpose subzones when existing zone facilities cannot serve the specific use involved;

Whereas, an application from the Rickenbacker Port Authority, grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 138, for authority to establish special-purpose subzone status for export activity at the infant formula and adult nutritional products manufacturing plant of Abbott Manufacturing, Inc., in Columbus, Ohio, was filed by the Board on April 9, 1996, and notice inviting public comment was given in the **Federal Register** (FTZ Docket 28-96, 61 FR 17875, 4-23-96); and,

Whereas, the Board adopts the findings and recommendations of the examiner's report, and finds that the requirements of the FTZ Act and Board's regulations are satisfied, and that approval of the application for export manufacturing is in the public interest;

Now, therefore, the Board hereby grants authority for subzone status at the Abbott Manufacturing, Inc., plant in Columbus, Ohio (Subzone 138C), at the location described in the application, subject to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations, including § 400.28, and subject to the further requirement that all foreign origin, tariff rate quota dairy products and sugar admitted to the subzone shall be reexported.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 3rd day of December 1997.

Robert S. LaRussa,

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

John J. Da Ponte, Jr.,

Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 937]

Grant of Authority for Subzone Status Fossil Partners, L.P.; (Watches, Sunglasses, Accessories) Richardson, Texas

Pursuant to its authority under the Foreign-Trade Zones Act of June 18, 1934, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) adopts the following Order:

Whereas, by an Act of Congress approved June 18, 1934, an Act "To provide for the establishment . . . of foreign-trade zones in ports of entry of the United States, to expedite and encourage foreign commerce, and for other purposes," as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u) (the Act), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) is authorized to grant to qualified corporations the privilege of establishing foreign-trade zones in or adjacent to U.S. Customs ports of entry;

Whereas, the Board's regulations (15 CFR part 400) provide for the establishment of special-purpose subzones when existing zone facilities cannot serve the specific use involved;

Whereas, an application from the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport Board, grantee of FTZ 39, for authority to establish special-purpose subzone status at the warehousing/distribution facility (watches, sunglasses and accessories) of Fossil Partners, L.P., in Richardson, Texas, was filed by the Board on March 12, 1997, and notice inviting public comment was given in the **Federal Register** (FTZ Docket 15-97, 62 FR 13595, 3-2-97); and,

Whereas, the Board adopts the findings and recommendations of the examiner's report, and finds that the requirements of the FTZ Act and Board's regulations are satisfied, and that approval of the application is in the public interest;

Now, therefore, the Board hereby authorizes the establishment of a subzone (Subzone 39E) at the Fossil Partners, L.P. facility in Richardson, Texas, at the location described in the

application, subject to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations, including § 400.28.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 3rd day of December 1997.

Robert S. LaRussa,

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

John J. Da Ponte, Jr.,

Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-405-071]

Notice of Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review: Viscose Rayon Staple Fiber From Finland

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of preliminary results of antidumping duty administrative review.

SUMMARY: In response to a request by the petitioners, the Department of Commerce is conducting an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on viscose rayon staple fiber from Finland. The review covers one manufacturer/exporter, Kemira Fibres Oy, during the review period, March 1, 1996, through February 28, 1997.

We invite interested parties to comment on these preliminary results of review. Parties who submit comments in this proceeding are requested to submit with each argument (1) a statement of the issue and (2) a brief summary of the argument.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 10, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, please contact Laurel LaCivita or Alexander Amdur at Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. 20230; telephone: (202) 482-4740 or (202) 482-5346, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Act by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (URAA). In addition,

unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department's regulations are to 19 CFR Part 353 (April 1997).

Background

On March 21, 1979, the Treasury Department published in the **Federal Register** (44 FR 17156) the antidumping duty finding on viscose rayon staple fiber from Finland. This finding was revoked on November 7, 1994 (59 FR 55441), effective as of April 1, 1993. The revocation was rescinded on February 22, 1997 (61 FR 6814). On March 28, 1997, the petitioners, Courtalds Fibers Inc. ("Courtalds") and Lenzing Fibers Corporation ("Lenzing"), requested that the Department of Commerce ("the Department") conduct an antidumping administrative review of Kemira Fibres Oy ("Kemira"), the only known producer of viscose rayon fiber in Finland, and any related, affiliated, or successor company or companies. On April 24, 1997, we published a notice of initiation of this administrative review covering the period March 1, 1996, through February 28, 1997, (62 FR 19988) for Kemira. We issued a questionnaire on May 20, 1997. We received section A, B and C questionnaire responses from Kemira on July 3, 1997. We issued a supplemental questionnaire on August 15, 1997. We received a supplemental response from Kemira on September 10, 1997. We issued a second supplemental questionnaire on September 22, 1997. Kemira responded to this letter on October 6, 1997. On October 27, 1997, Kemira submitted information concerning sales of VISIL fiber, which it maintains are outside of the scope of the finding.

On August 28, 1997, the Department solicited comments from all interested parties concerning the model match criteria and methodology to be used in this review. It received comments from the petitioners on September 11, 1997 and October 24, 1997, and from the respondent on September 16, 1997 and November 4, 1997.

We conducted a verification of home market and United States sales at Kemira's headquarters in Valkeakoski, Finland from November 3, 1997 to November 7, 1997.

The Department is conducting this administrative review in accordance with section 751(a) of the Act.

Scope of Review

The product covered by this review is viscose rayon staple fiber, except solution dyed, in noncontinuous form, not carded, not combed and not otherwise processed, wholly of filaments (except laminated filaments