the last month before the beginning of the quarter. The rate for interest rate terms of 20 years or longer is the average of the 20 year rates published in the Bond Buyer in the four weeks specified in 7 CFR 1714.5(d). The rate for terms of less than 20 years is the average of the rates published in the Bond Buyer for the same four weeks in the table of "Municipal Market Data—General Obligation Yields" or the successor to this table. No interest rate may exceed the interest rate for Water and Waste Disposal loans.

The table of Municipal Market Data includes only rates for securities maturing in 1998 and at 5 year intervals thereafter. The rates published by RUS reflect the average rates for the years shown in the Municipal Market Data table. Rates for interest rate terms ending in intervening years are a linear interpolation based on the average of the rates published in the Bond Buyer. All rates are adjusted to the nearest one eighth of one percent (0.125 percent) as required under 7 CFR 1714.5(a). The market interest rate on Water and Waste Disposal loans for this quarter is 5.125 percent.

In accordance with 7 CFR 1714.5, the interest rates are established as shown in the following table for all interest rate terms that begin at any time during the second calendar quarter of 1998.

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Interest rate term ends in (year)	RUS rate (0.000 per- cent)
2019 or later	5.125
2018	5.125
2017	5.125
2016	5.000
2015	5.000
2014	5.000
2013	4.875
2012	4.875
2011	4.750
2010	4.625
2009	4.500
2008	4.500
2007	4.375
2006	4.375
2005	4.250
2004	4.125
2003	4.125
2002	4.000
2001	3.875
2000	3.750
1999	3.625

Dated: March 12, 1998.

Wally Beyer,

Administrator, Rural Utilities Service. [FR Doc. 98–7020 Filed 3–17–98; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Estimates of the Voting Age Population for 1997

Under the requirements of the 1976 amendment to the Federal Election Campaign Act, Title 2, United States Code, Section 441a(e), I hereby give notice that the estimates of the voting age population for July 1, 1997, for each state and the District of Columbia are as shown in the following table.

I have certified these counts to the Federal Election Commission.

Dated: March 11, 1998.

William M. Daly,

Secretary of Commerce.

ESTIMATE OF THE POPULATION OF VOTING AGE FOR EACH STATE AND DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: JULY 1, 1997

[In thousands]

Area	Popu- lation 18 and over
United States	198,108
Alabama	3,247
Alaska	421
Arizona	3,277
Arkansas	1,860
California	23,317
Colorado	2,877
Connecticut	2,478
Delaware	554
District of Columbia	422
Florida	11,183
Georgia	5,498
Hawaii	884
Idaho	859
Illinois	8,722
Indiana	4,367
lowa	2,127
Kansas	1,907
Kentucky	2,947
Louisiana	3,161
Maine	945
Maryland	3,826
Massachusetts	4,666
Michigan	7,269
Minnesota	3,435 1,978
Mississippi Missouri	3,996
Montana	649
Nebraska	1,212
Nevada	1,234
New Hampshire	877
New Jersey	6,066
New Mexico	1,230
New York	13,577
North Carolina	5,552
North Dakota	476
Ohio	8,348
Oklahoma	2,439
Oregon	2,433
Pennsylvania	9,156
Rhode Island	754
South Carolina	2,805
South Dakota	541
Tennessee	4,043

ESTIMATE OF THE POPULATION OF VOTING AGE FOR EACH STATE AND DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: JULY 1, 1997—Continued

[In thousands]

Area	Popu- lation 18 and over
Texas	13,862 1,371 443 5,090 4,156 1,404 3,823 348

Source: Population Estimates Program, Population Division, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233, March 1998.

For a description of methodology see Current Population Reports, P25–1127. [FR Doc. 98–7077 Filed 3–16–98; 10:05 am] BILLING CODE 3510–07–M

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of the Census

Renewal of Census Advisory Committees on the African American Population, American Indian and Alaska Native Populations, Asian and Pacific Islander Populations, and Hispanic Population

AGENCY: Bureau of the Census, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of renewal.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, and after concurrence of the General Services Administration, the Secretary of Commerce has determined that the renewal of the Census Advisory Committees on the African American Population, American Indian and Alaska Native Populations, Asian and Pacific Islander Populations, and Hispanic Population is in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Department by law.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 18, 1998. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Maxine Anderson-Brown, Committee Liaison Officer, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233, telephone 301– 457–2308, TDD 301–457–2540.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: These Committees will provide an organized and continuing channel of communication between the communities they represent and the

Bureau of the Census on its efforts to reduce the differential in the totals for all population groups during Census 2000 and on ways census data can be disseminated to maximize their usefulness to these communities and other users.

The Committees will draw on the experience of their members with the 1990 census process and procedures, results of evaluations and research studies, and test censuses, and also will draw on the expertise and insight of their members to provide advice and recommendations on data collection, processing, promotional, and evaluation activities during the implementation phases of Census 2000. The Committees will provide advice regarding the tabulation plans for race and ethnic data.

These Committees will function solely as an advisory body with respect to the matters described above and will comply fully with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. Each Committee shall consist of nine members to be appointed by and serve at the discretion of the Secretary of Commerce.

The Committees shall report to the Director, Bureau of the Census. The Designated Federal Official for the Advisory Committees shall be the Principal Associate Director for Programs at the Bureau of the Census.

The Department of Commerce will file copies of the Committees' renewal charters with appropriate committees in Congress.

Dated: March 11, 1998.

James F. Holmes,

Acting Director, Bureau of the Census.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 962]

Grant of Authority for Subzone Status: Shell Oil Company (Oil Refinery); Mobile County, Alabama

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 City of Mobile, Alabama, grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 82, for authority to establish special-purpose subzone status at the oil refinery complex of Shell Oil Company, located in Mobile County, Alabama, was filed by the Board on April 16, 1997, and notice inviting public comment was given in the **Federal Register** (FTZ Docket 33–97, 62 FR 24080, 5/2/97); 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 would be satisfied, and that approval of the application would be in the public interest if approval is subject to the conditions listed below;

Now, therefore, the Board hereby authorizes the establishment of a subzone (Subzone 82F) at the oil refinery complex of Shell Oil Company, located in Mobile County, Alabama, at the locations described in the application, subject to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations, including § 400.28, and subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Foreign status (19 CFR 146.41, 146.42) products consumed as fuel for the refinery shall be subject to the applicable duty rate.
- 2. Privileged foreign status (19 CFR § 146.41) shall be elected on all foreign merchandise admitted to the subzone, except that non-privileged foreign (NPF) status (19 CFR § 146.42) may be elected on refinery inputs covered under HTSUS Subheadings # 2709.00.1000—# 2710.00.1050, # 2710.00.2500, and # 2710.00.45 which are used in the production of:
- Petrochemical feedstocks and refinery by-products (examiners report, Appendix C);
- —Products for export; and,
- —Products eligible for entry under HTSUS #9808.00.30 and 9808.00.40 (U.S. Government purchases).
- 3. The authority with regard to the NPF option is initially granted until September 30, 2000, subject to extension.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 6th day of March 1998.

Robert S. LaRussa,

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

Dennis Puccinelli,

Acting Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 959]

Grant of Authority for Subzone Status; Chevron U.S.A. Inc. (Oil Refinery); El Segundo, California

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 Los Angeles Board of Harbor Commissioners, grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 202, for authority to establish special-purpose subzone status at the oil refinery complex of Chevron U.S.A. Inc., located in El Segundo, California, was filed by the Board on March 31, 1997, and notice inviting public comment was given in the **Federal Register** (FTZ Docket 25–97, 62 FR 17581, 4/10/97); 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 would be satisfied, and that approval of the application would be in the public interest if approval is subject to the conditions listed below;

Now, therefore, the Board hereby authorizes the establishment of a subzone (Subzone 202B) at the oil refinery complex of Chevron U.S.A.