

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, August 25, 1999.  
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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**Foreign Trade Zones Board**

[FTZ Dockets (41(1)-99 to 41(58)-99)]

**Requests for Extension of Authority (Crude Oil Refineries/Petrochemical Complexes)**

Requests have been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the following grantees, pursuant to § 400.32(b)(1) of the Board's regulations, for a time extension of their authority to elect non-privileged foreign status (NPF) on crude oil used in the production of certain petrochemical feedstocks and refinery by-products at the crude oil refineries/petrochemical complexes of the companies listed below. The requests were formally filed on August 23, 1999.

The FTZ Board has authorized 62 refineries/petrochemical complexes to conduct crude oil/petrochemical product refining activity under FTZ procedures, subject to certain standard restrictions listed below:

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 #2710.00.4510 which are used in the production of:

- certain petrochemical feedstocks and refinery by-products; -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.

The zone grantees on behalf of the refining facilities listed below are now requesting that the authority for the NPF option be extended.

The refineries/petrochemical complexes produce fuels and petrochemical feedstocks from crude oil and other inputs, such as naphtha and natural gas condensate. Fuel products include gasoline, jet fuel, distillates, residual fuels, and motor fuel blendstocks. Petrochemical feedstocks and refinery by-products produced under zone procedures (NPF option) have included: benzene, toluene, xylene, naphthalene, natural gas—liquified & gaseous, ethane, propane, butane, ethylene, propylene, butylene, butadiene, paraffin waxes & petroleum jelly, carbon black oil, petroleum coke, asphalt, sulfur, sulfuric acid, cumene, pseudocumene, other aromatic hydrocarbon mixtures, and mixtures of

hydrocarbons not elsewhere specified. The requests seek to expand the scope of NPF authority to include additional petrochemical feedstocks that have recently become duty-free under staged tariff reductions of the Uruguay Round of GATT. These product categories include: calcined petroleum coke, n-pentane and isopentane, isoprene, dicyclopentadiene, styrene, and certain other saturated and unsaturated acyclic and cyclic hydrocarbons. (Although the refineries vary in their product mix, the review would generally include the full range of products listed above for all refineries.)

Zone procedures exempt the refineries from Customs duty payments on the foreign products used in exports. On domestic sales, the NPF option allows the companies to choose the Customs duty rates that apply to certain petrochemical feedstocks and refinery by-products (HTSUS duty rates for most of these products are zero) by admitting incoming foreign crude oil and natural gas condensate in non-privileged foreign status. Such petrochemicals and by-products account for about 25 to 30 percent of refinery activity, on average. The duty rates on inputs range from 5.25¢/barrel to 10.5¢/barrel. Duties on inputs used to make fuel products (motor gasoline, jet fuel, blendstocks), which constitute some 70 to 75 percent of production, will continue to be dutiable at the crude oil rate. The applications indicate that the continuation of authority to elect non-privileged foreign status will contribute to the refineries' international competitiveness.

Board order	Subzone	Company	Location	Docket No.
Grantee: Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans:				
791 .....	2H	Chalmette Refinery LC .....	Chalmette, LA .....	Doc. 41(1)-99
821 .....	2I	BP Amoco, plc .....	Belle Chasse, LA .....	Doc. 41(2)-99
895 .....	2J	Murphy Oil USA, Inc .....	St. Bernard Parish, LA .....	Doc. 41(3)-99
Grantee: Port of San Francisco: 974	3B	Chevron U.S.A. Inc .....	Richmond, CA .....	Doc. 41(4)-99
Grantee: Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority:				
822 .....	8F	BP Amoco, plc .....	Toledo, OH .....	Doc. 41(5)-99
822 .....	8G	Clark Refining and Marketing, Inc ..	Lima, OH .....	Doc. 41(6)-99
Grantee: State of Hawaii: 415 .....	9E	Chevron Products Co .....	Oahu, HI .....	Doc. 41(7)-99
Grantee: Virginia Port Authority: 761	20C	BP Amoco plc .....	Yorktown, VA .....	Doc. 41(8)-99
Grantee: Illinois International Port District:				
779 .....	22I	PDV Midwest Refining .....	Will County, IL .....	Doc. 41(9)-99
960 .....	22J	Mobil Oil Corporation .....	Chicago, IL .....	Doc. 41(10)-99
Grantee: Tri-City Regional Port District: 878.	31B	Motiva Enterprises LLC .....	Madison Co., IL .....	Doc. 41(11)-99
Grantee: Philadelphia Regional Port Authority:				
838 .....	35C	Sun Company, Inc .....	Philadelphia, PA .....	Doc. 41(12)-99
891 .....	35D	Tosco Corporation .....	Delaware Co., PA .....	Doc. 41(13)-99
Grantee: Greater Cincinnati FTZ, Inc.: 865.	47B	Marathon Ashland Petroleum LLC	Boone Co., KY .....	Doc. 41(14)-99

Board order	Subzone	Company	Location	Docket No.
Grantee: The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey:				
792	49E	Tosco Corp.	Linden, NJ	Doc. 41(15)-99
880	49F	Chevron Products Co	Perth Amboy, NJ	Doc. 41(16)-99
Grantee: Greater Detroit Foreign-Trade Zone, Inc.: 879.				
Grantee: City of Mobile:				
921	82F	Coastal Mobile Refining	Mobile, AL	Doc. 41(18)-99
962	82G	Shell Oil Company	Mobile, AL	Doc. 41(19)-99
Grantee: The Port of Houston Authority:				
552	84F	Valero Refining Co	Houston, TX	Doc. 41(20)-99
669	84J	Shell Oil Company	Harris County, TX	Doc. 41(21)-99
793	84N	Crown Central Petroleum	Houston, TX	Doc. 41(22)-99
837	84O	Exxon Corporation	Baytown, TX	Doc. 41(23)-99
961	84P	LYONDELL-CITGO Refining LP	Houston, TX	Doc. 41(24)-99
975	84Q	Equistar Chemicals LP	Houston, TX	Doc. 41(25)-99
Grantee: Lake Charles Harbor and Terminal District:				
808	87A	Conoco, Inc	Lake Charles, LA	Doc. 41(26)-99
760	87B	Citgo Petroleum Corp	Lake Charles, LA	Doc. 41(27)-99
Grantee: Greater Gulfport/Biloxi Foreign Trade Zone, Inc.: 747.				
Grantee: Delaware Economic Development Office: 831.				
Grantee: Savannah Airport Commission: 805.				
Grantee: Foreign Trade Zone of Southeast Texas, Inc.:				
780	115B	Mobil Corporation	Beaumont, TX	Doc. 41(31)-99
740	116A	Motiva Enterprises, LLC	Port Arthur, TX	Doc. 41(32)-99
772	116B	Fina Oil Company	Port Arthur, TX	Doc. 41(33)-99
848	116C	Clark Refining & Marketing Inc	Port Arthur, TX	Doc. 41(34)-99
Grantee: Port of Corpus Christi Authority:				
782	122A	Coastal Refining & Marketing, Inc	Corpus Christi, TX	Doc. 41(35)-99
765	122C	Trifinery Petroleum	Corpus Christi, TX	Doc. 41(36)-99
407	122I	Citgo Refining & Chemicals Co., LP	Corpus Christi, TX	Doc. 41(37)-99
414	122J	Valero Refining Company	Corpus Christi, TX	Doc. 41(38)-99
535	122L	Koch Petroleum Group	Corpus Christi, TX	Doc. 41(39)-99
1031	122M	Diamond Shamrock Refining Co., LP.	Three Rivers, TX	Doc. 41(40)-99
Grantee: South Louisiana Port Commission:				
379	124A	Orion Refining Corp	Destrehan, LA	Doc. 41(41)-99
739	124C	Motiva Enterprises, LLC	Convent, LA	Doc. 41(42)-99
773	124E	Marathon Ashland Petroleum, LP	Garyville, LA	Doc. 41(43)-99
839	124F	Motiva Enterprises, LLC	Norco, LA	Doc. 41(44)-99
Grantee: Port of Philadelphia and Camden, Inc.:				
790	142A	Valero Refining Co	Paulsboro, NJ	Doc. 41(45)-99
806	142B	Citgo Asphalt Refinery	Paulsboro, NJ	Doc. 41(46)-99
894	142C	Coastal Eagle Point Oil	Eagle Point, NJ	Doc. 41(47)-99
Grantee: Bi-State Authority: 781				
Grantee: Port Freeport Brazos River Harbor Navigation District:				
920	149C	Phillips Petroleum Co	Sweeney, TX	Doc. 41(49)-99
999	149E	BP Amoco Chemical, plc	Brazoria Co., TX	Doc. 41(50)-99
Grantee: Indiana Port Commission: 762.				
Grantee: Greater Baton Rouge Port Commission: 847.				
Grantee: Board of County Commissioners of Sedgwick County, Kansas: 862.				
Grantee: Northeast Ohio Trade and Economic Consortium: 864.				
Grantee: Texas City Foreign Trade Zone Corporation:				
731	199A	BP Amoco, plc	Texas City, TX	Doc. 41(55)-99
830	199B	Marathon Ashland Petroleum, LLC	Texas City, TX	Doc. 41(56)-99
863	199C	Valero Refining Co	Texas City, TX	Doc. 41(57)-99
Grantee: Port Of Los Angeles: 959				
	202B	Chevron U.S.A. Inc	El Segundo, CA	Doc. 41(58)-99

Public comment on the proposals is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is November 1, 1999.

Copies of the requests will be available for public inspection at the following location: Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 3716, 14th & Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

Dated: August 24, 1999.

**Dennis Puccinelli,**

*Acting Executive Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

#### Export Trade Certificate of Review

**ACTION:** Notice of application.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Export Trading Company Affairs ("OETCA"), International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce, has received an application for an Export Trade Certificate of Review. This notice summarizes the conduct for which certification is sought and requests comments relevant to whether the Certificate should be issued.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Morton Schnabel, Director, Office of Export Trading Company Affairs, International Trade Administration, (202) 482-5131. This is not a toll-free number.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Title III of the Export Trading Company Act of 1982 (15 U.S.C. 4001-21) authorizes the Secretary of Commerce to issue Export Trade Certificates of Review. A Certificate of Review protects the holder and the members identified in the Certificate from state and federal government antitrust actions and from private, treble damage antitrust actions for the export conduct specified in the Certificate and carried out in compliance with its terms and conditions. Section 302(b)(1) of the Act and 15 CFR 325.6(a) require the Secretary to publish a notice in the **Federal Register** identifying the applicant and summarizing its proposed export conduct.

#### Request for Public Comments

Interested parties may submit written comments relevant to the determination

whether a Certificate should be issued. If the comments include any privileged or confidential business information, it must be clearly marked and a nonconfidential version of the comments (identified as such) should be included. Any comments not marked privileged or confidential business information will be deemed to be nonconfidential. An original and five copies, plus two copies of the nonconfidential version, should be submitted no later than 20 days after the date of this notice to: Office of Export Trading Company Affairs, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce, Room 1104H, Washington, DC 20230. Information submitted by any person is exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552). However, nonconfidential versions of the comments will be made available to the applicant if necessary for determining whether or not to issue the Certificate. Comments should refer to this application as "Export Trade Certificate of Review, application number 99-00003." A summary of the application follows.

#### Summary of the Application

*Applicant:* JV Export Trading Company, Inc., 16468 SW 95th Lane, Miami, Florida 33196.

*Contact:* Kevin M. Dyer, Attorney at Law.

*Telephone:* (212) 599-2396.

*Application No.:* 99-00003.

*Date Deemed Submitted:* August 27, 1999.

*Members (in addition to applicant):* None.

JV Export Trading Company, Inc. seeks a Certificate to cover the following specific Export Trade, Export Markets, and Export Trade Activities and Methods of Operations.

#### Export Trade

##### 1. Products

All products.

##### 2. Services

All services.

##### 3. Technology Rights

Technology Rights, including, but not limited to, patents, trademarks, copyrights and trade secrets that relate to Products and Services.

##### 4. Export Trade Facilitation Services (as They Relate to the Export of Products, Services and Technology Rights)

Export Trade Facilitation Services, including, but not limited to: Professional services in the areas of government relations and assistance with state and federal export programs;

foreign trade and business protocol; consulting; market research and analysis; collection of information on trade opportunities; marketing; negotiations; joint ventures; shipping and export management; export licensing; advertising; documentation and services related to compliance with customs requirements; insurance and financing; bonding; warehousing; export trade promotion; trade show exhibitions; organizational development; management and labor strategies; transfer of technology; transportation; and facilitating the formation of shippers' associations.

#### Export Markets

The Export Markets include all parts of Latin America.

#### Export Trade Activities and Methods of Operation

JV Export Trading Company, Inc. seeks to have the following conduct certified:

1. Entering into exclusive export distribution agreements with U.S. manufacturers for export to the Latin American markets or sub-markets within Latin America;
2. Entering into agreements, exclusive and otherwise, with U.S. manufacturers regarding the prices for which subject products will be sold in Latin American market;
3. Entering into agreements with other exporters to Latin America regarding products, price and territories; and
4. Entering into agreements with U.S. manufacturers and exporters, including those in competition with one another regarding the sharing of price, technical know-how, marketing, research and related information.

Dated: August 30, 1999.

**Morton Schnabel,**

*Director, Office of Export Trading Company Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### Notice of Designation of the Grand Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, Mississippi

**AGENCY:** Estuarine Reserves Division, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of Designation.

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