

November 4, 1999, at the Double Tree Hotel, Columbia River, 1401 H. Hayden Island Drive, Portland, Oregon, 97217. The purpose of the meeting is to continue discussions on the implementation of the Northwest Forest Plan. The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. and continue until 3:30 p.m. Agenda items to be discussed include, but are not limited to; Habitat Conservation Planning from the County perspective; a report on the Interagency Steering Committee meeting; and progress reports on ongoing implementation issues. The IAC meeting will be open to the public and is fully accessible for people with disabilities. Interpreters are available upon request in advance. Written comments may be submitted for the record at the meeting. Time will also be scheduled for oral public comments. Interested persons are encouraged to attend.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Questions regarding this meeting may be directed to Curt Loop, Acting Executive Director, Regional Ecosystem Office, 333 SW 1st Avenue, PO Box 3623, Portland, OR 97208 (Phone: 503-808-2180).

Dated: October 29, 1999.

**Curtis A. Loop,**

*Acting Designated Federal Official.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 19-99]

#### **Foreign-Trade Zone 93—Durham, North Carolina; Withdrawal of Application for Subzone Status for Philips Monitor Raleigh Computer Monitors and Related Peripheral Products Plant**

Notice is hereby given of the withdrawal of the application submitted by the Triangle J Council of Governments, grantee of FTZ 93, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the manufacturing facilities (computer monitors and related peripheral products) of Philips Monitor Raleigh, located at sites in the Durham, North Carolina, area. The application was filed on May 6, 1999 (64 FR 26933, 5/18/99).

The withdrawal was requested because of changed circumstances, and the case has been closed without prejudice.

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**Dennis Puccinelli,**

*Acting Executive Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 48-99]

#### **Foreign-Trade Zone 137—Washington Dulles International Airport, Virginia Area; Application for Expansion**

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board (the Board) by Washington Dulles Foreign Trade Zone, Inc., grantee of FTZ 137 (Fairfax/Loudoun Counties, Virginia), requesting authority to expand its zone to include a site in Gainesville (Prince William County), Virginia, within the Washington, DC, Customs port of entry. 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 October 14, 1999.

FTZ 137 was approved on April 17, 1987 (Board Order 350, 52 FR 13489, 4/23/87). The zone project currently consists of sites (392 acres) at and adjacent to the Washington Dulles International Airport complex, Fairfax and Loudoun Counties: Site 1—within the airport complex; Site 2—warehouse facility, 110 Terminal Drive, Sterling; and, Site 3—near the intersection of Routes 606 and 621, Loudoun County. Two applications are currently pending with the Board for two additional sites in Virginia's Eastern Shore region (Doc. 44-98) and three additional sites in the Winchester-Frederick County area (Doc. 46-99).

This application is requesting authority to expand the general-purpose zone to include an additional site (171 acres) in Gainesville, Virginia (Proposed Site 9): Proposed Site 9 (171 acres)—within the 435-acre Virginia Gateway Development, southwest quadrant of the I-66/Rt. 29 interchange, Gainesville. The site is owned by Virginia Gateway Associates L.P., an affiliate of The Peterson companies. No specific manufacturing requests are being made at this time. Such requests would be made to the Board on a case-by-case basis.

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 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is December 27, 1999. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to January 10, 2000).

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

Washington Dulles Foreign Trade Zone, Inc., 44701 Propeller Court, Dulles, VA 20166

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

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**Dennis Puccinelli,**

*Acting Executive Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 49-99]

#### **Foreign-Trade Zone 207—Richmond International Airport, Virginia; Application for Foreign-Trade Subzone Status, Ericsson, Inc. (Cellular Telephones, Wireless Communications Equipment, and Private Radio Equipment), Lynchburg, VA**

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Capital Region Airport Commission, grantee of FTZ 207, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the manufacturing facilities (cellular telephones, wireless communications equipment, and private radio equipment) of Ericsson, Inc. (Ericsson), located at sites in Lynchburg, Virginia. 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 filed on October 15, 1999.

The Ericsson facilities (153 acres, 1 million sq. ft.) are located at three sites in Lynchburg: manufacturing facility at 1 Mountain View Road; finished goods facility at 314 Jefferson Parkway; and parts inventory facility at 37 Millrace Drive. These facilities (3,000+ employees) are currently used for the manufacture of cellular telephones,

wireless communications equipment, and private radio equipment. Some of the components used in manufacturing these products are purchased from abroad (comprising 50 to 60 % of parts value), including keypads, pin connectors, amplifiers, coaxial cable, storage batteries, transformers, switches, electric motors, clasps, loud speakers, screws, rubber parts, filter paper, and storage battery parts (duty rates on these items range from 1.8% to 6.6%).

Zone procedures would exempt Ericsson from Customs duty payments on foreign components used in export production. On domestic shipments, the company would be able to defer Customs duty payments on foreign materials, and to choose the duty rates that apply to the finished products (ranging from duty free to 3.4%) instead of the rates otherwise applicable to the foreign input materials (noted above). The company would also be exempt from duty payments on foreign merchandise that becomes scrap/waste (scrap rate estimated at 1% of parts). FTZ procedures will help Ericsson to implement a more cost-effective system for handling Customs requirements (including reduced Customs merchandise processing fees). FTZ status may also make a site eligible for benefits provided under state/local programs. The application indicates that the savings from zone procedures would help improve the facilities' 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 December 27, 1999. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to January 10, 2000.

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U.S. Department of Commerce Export  
Assistance Center, 400 North 8th  
Street, Suite 540, Richmond, VA  
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**Dennis Puccinelli,**

*Acting Executive Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 47-99]

#### **Foreign-Trade Zone 207—Richmond International Airport, Virginia; Application for Foreign-Trade Subzone Status; Alfa Laval Thermal, Inc. (Heat Exchangers); Richmond, VA, Area**

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Capital Region Airport Commission, grantee of FTZ 207, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the manufacturing facilities (heat exchangers and parts) of the Alfa Laval Thermal, Inc. (Alfa Laval), located at sites in the Richmond, Virginia, area. 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 filed on October 14, 1999.

The Alfa Laval facilities are located at three sites in the Richmond, Virginia, area (23 acres, 115,000 sq. ft. total): *Site 1* (1 building/80,000 square feet on 17 acres)—headquarters and main manufacturing facilities, located at 5400 International Trade Drive, Richmond; *Site 2* (portion of 1 building/23,000 sq. ft.)—space used for repairs, light manufacturing, and warehousing, at 520 East Park Court, Woodland Center, Richmond; and *Site 3* (1 building/10,500 sq. ft. on 2.2 acres)—stocking and repair facility, located at 11100 Air Park Road, Hanover Industrial Park, Ashland.

The facilities (200 employees) are used for the engineering, manufacture, service, and distribution of Alfa Laval's heat exchanger products, which include plate heat exchangers, brazed heat exchangers, spiral heat exchangers, scraped surface heat exchangers, and new or reconditioned heat exchanger parts. Some of the components used in the manufacturing process are purchased from abroad (an estimated 38% of finished product value), including: nuts; screws; gaskets; washers; adhesives; stainless steel angles, shapes, and section; needle roller bearings; and titanium sheet (duty rates on the imported items range from 0.4% to 15.0%). The company will also use several foreign-sourced items that are duty free. The company indicates

that it will admit the aforementioned stainless steel products to the proposed subzone in privileged-foreign status.

Zone procedures would exempt Alfa Laval from Customs duty payments on foreign components used in export production. FTZ procedures will help Alfa Laval to implement a more efficient and cost-effective system for handling Customs requirements (including reduced Customs merchandise processing fees). On its domestic sales, Alfa Laval would be able to choose the lower duty rate that applies to the finished products (0.8%) for the foreign components noted above, with the above-noted exception of stainless steel products. The company also would benefit from duty savings on scrap and waste resulting from the production process (Alfa Laval estimates its scrap rate as one percent of all components and materials). FTZ status may also make a site eligible for benefits provided under state/local programs. The application indicates that the savings from zone procedures would help improve the facilities' international competitiveness, and would enable the company to shift additional production from overseas to the Richmond-area facilities.

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 December 27, 1999. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to January 10, 2000.

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