

Board) by Broward County, Florida, grantee of FTZ 25, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the fuel distribution terminal of Coastal Fuel Marketing, Inc. (Coastal), located in Port Everglades, Florida. 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 March 15, 2000.

The Coastal facilities (56.5 acres) are located at 2401 Eisenhower Boulevard, Port Everglades, Florida. The terminal facilities (72 employees), are used for the receipt, storage, blending and distribution of jet fuel, gasoline, crude oil, asphalt, distillates, residual fuels and motor fuel blending stocks for the domestic and foreign markets. Some of the products will be sourced from abroad, or from U.S. refineries under FTZ procedures.

Zone procedures would exempt Coastal from Customs duties and federal excise taxes on exports and on foreign status jet fuel used for international flights. On domestic sales, the company would be able to defer Customs duty payments until the products leave the facility. The application indicates that the savings from FTZ procedures will help improve the facility's international competitiveness.

No specific manufacturing request is being made at this time. Such a request 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 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 May 22, 2000. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to June 5, 2000.

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

U.S. Department of Commerce, Export Assistance Center, 200 E. las Olas Blvd. (Sun Sentinel Building), Suite 1600, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33301–2284

Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 4008, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th & Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230

Dated: March 16, 2000.

Dennis Puccinelli,

Acting Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 10–2000]

Foreign-Trade Zone 86—Tacoma, WA; Application for Subzone, Tesoro Petroleum Corporation, Anacortes, WA

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Port of Tacoma, grantee of FTZ 86, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the oil refinery complex of Tesoro Petroleum Corporation, located in Anacortes, Washington. 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 March 15, 2000.

The refinery complex (903 acres, 300 employees) is located on West March Point Road in Anacortes, Washington (Skagit County), some 100 miles north of Tacoma. The refinery (108,200 BPD) is used to produce fuels and liquid petroleum gases, including gasoline, jet fuel, distillates, residual fuels, naphthas, motor fuel blendstocks, liquefied natural gas, butane, isobutane, and propane. Refinery by-products include petroleum coke, asphalt and sulfur. Some 68 percent of the crude oil (96 percent of inputs), and some naphthas, virgin gas oil and field butanes are sourced abroad. Zone procedures would exempt the refinery from Customs duty payments on the foreign products used in its exports. On domestic sales, the company would be able to choose the Customs duty rates that apply to certain petrochemical feedstocks and refinery by-products (duty-free) by admitting incoming foreign crude oil in non-privileged foreign status. The duty rates on inputs range from 5.25 cents/barrel to 10.5 cents/barrel. The application indicates that the savings from zone procedures would help improve the refinery'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.

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Dated: March 16, 2000.

Dennis Puccinelli,

Acting Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A–588–835]

Oil Country Tubular Goods From Japan; Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

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

SUMMARY: On September 7, 1999, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published the preliminary results of administrative review of the antidumping duty order on oil country tubular goods (OCTG) from Japan (64 FR 48589). The merchandise covered by this order is hollow steel products of circular cross-section, including oil well casing, tubing, and drill pipe, of iron (other than cast iron) or steel (both carbon and alloy), whether seamless or welded, whether or not conforming to American Petroleum Institute (API) or non-API specifications, whether finished or unfinished (including green tubes and limited service OCTG products). The review covers one manufacturer. The period of review is August 1, 1997 through July 31, 1998.

Based on our analysis of the comments received, we have made changes in the margin calculations. The final weighted-average dumping margin for the reviewed firm is listed below in the section entitled “Final Results of the Review.”

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 22, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Thomas Gilgunn or Mark Hoadley, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. 20230; telephone: (202) 482-0648 and (202) 482-0666, 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. In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department's regulations are to 19 CFR Part 351 (1999).

Background

On September 7, 1999, the Department published the preliminary results of administrative review of the antidumping duty order on OCTG from Japan (64 FR 48589). We invited parties to comment on our preliminary results of review. The Department has conducted this administrative review in accordance with section 751 of the Act.

Scope of Review

The merchandise covered by this order consists of oil country tubular goods, hollow steel products of circular cross-section, including oil well casing, tubing, and drill pipe, of iron (other than cast iron) or steel (both carbon and alloy), whether seamless or welded, whether or not conforming to American Petroleum Institute (API) or non-API specifications, whether finished or unfinished (including green tubes and limited service OCTG products). This scope does not cover casing, tubing, or drill pipe containing 10.5 percent or more of chromium. The products subject to this order are currently classified in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) under item numbers: 7304.21.30.00, 7304.21.60.30, 7304.21.60.45, 7304.21.60.60, 7304.29.10.10, 7304.29.10.20, 7304.29.10.30, 7304.29.10.40, 7304.29.10.50, 7304.29.10.60, 7304.29.10.80, 7304.29.20.10, 7304.29.20.20, 7304.29.20.30, 7304.29.20.40, 7304.29.20.50, 7304.29.20.60, 7304.29.20.80, 7304.29.30.10, 7304.29.30.20, 7304.29.30.30, 7304.29.30.40, 7304.29.30.50, 7304.29.30.60, 7304.29.30.80, 7304.29.40.10, 7304.29.40.20, 7304.29.40.30, 7304.29.40.40, 7304.29.40.50, 7304.29.40.60, 7304.29.40.80, 7304.29.50.15,

7304.29.50.30, 7304.29.50.45, 7304.29.50.60, 7304.29.50.75, 7304.29.60.15, 7304.29.60.30, 7304.29.60.45, 7304.29.60.60, 7304.29.60.75, 7305.20.20.00, 7305.20.40.00, 7305.20.60.00, 7305.20.80.00, 7306.20.10.30, 7306.20.10.90, 7306.20.20.00, 7306.20.30.00, 7306.20.40.00, 7306.20.60.10, 7306.20.60.50, 7306.20.80.10, and 7306.20.80.50.

Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, our written description of the scope of this review is dispositive.

Analysis of Comments Received

All issues raised in the case and rebuttal briefs by parties to this administrative review are addressed in the "Issues and Decision Memorandum" (Decision Memo) from Joseph A. Spetrini, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Import Administration, to Robert S. LaRussa, Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, dated March 6, 2000, which is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference into this notice. A list of the issues which parties have raised and to which we have responded, all of which are in the Decision Memo, is attached to this notice as an Appendix. Parties can find a complete discussion of all issues raised in this review and the corresponding recommendations in this public memorandum which is on file in the Central Records Unit, located in room B-099 of the main Department of Commerce Building. In addition, a complete version of the Decision Memo can be accessed directly on the Web at www.ita.doc.gov/import_admin/records/frn/. The paper copy and electronic version of the Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

Changes Since the Preliminary Results

Based on our analysis of comments received, we have made certain changes in the margin calculations. We have also corrected certain programming and clerical errors in our preliminary results, where applicable. Any alleged programming or clerical errors with which we do not agree are discussed in the relevant sections of the "Decision Memorandum," accessible in B-099 and on the Web at www.ita.doc.gov/import_admin/records/frn/.

Final Results of Review

We determine that the following percentage weighted-average margins exist for the period August 1, 1997 through July 31, 1998:

Manufacturer/exporter	Margin (percent)
Sumitomo Metal Industries	0.00

Cash Deposit Requirements

The following deposit requirements will be effective upon publication of this notice of final results of administrative review for all shipments of oil country tubular goods from Japan entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication, as provided by section 751(a)(1) of the Act: (1) The cash deposit rates for the reviewed companies will be the rates shown above except that, for firms whose weighted-average margins are less than 0.5 percent and therefore *de minimis*, the Department shall require no deposit of estimated antidumping duties; (2) for previously reviewed or investigated companies not listed above, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published for the most recent period; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review, a prior review, or the original less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigation, but the manufacturer is, the cash deposit rate will be the rate established for the most recent period for the manufacturer of the merchandise; and (4) the cash deposit rate for all other manufacturers or exporters will continue to be 44.2 percent. This rate is the "All Others" rate from the LTFV investigation.

These deposit requirements shall remain in effect until publication of the final results of the next administrative review.

This notice also serves as a final reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this review period. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the Secretary's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of doubled antidumping duties.

This notice also serves as a reminder to parties subject to administrative protective orders (APO) of their responsibility concerning the return or destruction of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305. Timely written notification of the return/destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation which is subject to sanction.

We are issuing and publishing this determination and notice in accordance with sections section 751(a)(1) and 777(i) of the Act.

Dated: March 6, 2000.

Robert S. LaRussa,
*Assistant Secretary for Import
Administration.*

Appendix—List of Issues

1. Bona Fide Sale
2. Discounts and Rebates
3. Credit and Warranty Expenses
4. CEP Profit
5. Clerical Errors

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Financial Assistance for Chesapeake Bay Stock Assessments to Encourage Research Projects for Improvement in the Stock Conditions of the Chesapeake Bay Fisheries

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries
Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and
Atmospheric Administration (NOAA),
Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of availability of funds.

SUMMARY: A total of up to \$540,000 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2000 funds is available through the NOAA/NMFS Chesapeake Bay Office to assist interested state fishery agencies, academic institutions, and other nonprofit organizations relating to cooperative research units, in carrying out research projects to provide information for Chesapeake Bay Stock Assessments through cooperative agreements. About \$285,000 of the base amount are available to initiate new projects in FY 2000, as described in this announcement. In addition, it is anticipated that supplemental FY 2000 funds, up to \$500,000, will be provided to investigate multispecies management and research in Chesapeake Bay. NMFS issues this notice describing the conditions under which eligible applications will be accepted and how NMFS will determine which applications will be selected for funding.

DATES: Applications for funding under this program must be received by 5 p.m. eastern standard time on April 21, 2000. Applications received after that time will not be considered for funding. No

applications will be accepted by facsimile machine submission.

Successful applicants generally will be selected approximately 90 days after the date of publication in the *Federal Register* of this notice. The earliest date for awards will be approximately 180 days after the date of publication in the *Federal Register* of this notice.

ADDRESSES: Send applications to: Derek Orner, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, 410 Severn Avenue, Suite 107A, Annapolis, MD 21403.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Derek Orner, 410/267-5660; or
e-mail: derek.ornor@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

A. *Authority.* The Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956, as amended, at 16 U.S.C. 753 (a), authorizes the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary), for the purpose of developing adequate, coordinated, cooperative research and training programs for fish and wildlife resources, to continue to enter into cooperative agreements with colleges and universities, with game and fish departments of the several states, and with non-profit organizations relating to cooperative research units. The Departments of Commerce (DOC), Justice, State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2000 makes funds available to the Secretary.

B. *Catalog of Federal Assistance.* The research to be funded is in support of the Chesapeake Bay Studies (CFDA 11.457), under the Chesapeake Bay Stock Assessment Committee (CBSAC).

C. *Program Description.* CBSAC was established in 1985 to plan and review Bay-wide resource assessments, coordinate relevant actions of state and Federal agencies, report on fisheries status and trends, and determine, fund and review research projects. The program implements a Bay-wide plan for the assessment of commercially, recreationally, and selected ecologically important species in the Chesapeake Bay. In 1988, CBSAC developed a Bay-wide Stock Assessment Plan, in response to provisions in the Chesapeake Bay Agreement of 1987. The Plan identified that key obstacles to assessing Bay stocks was the lack of consistent, Bay-wide, fishery-dependent and fishery-independent data. Research projects funded since 1988 have focused on developing and improving fishery-independent surveys and catch statistics for key Bay species, such as striped bass, oysters, blue crabs and alosids. Stock assessment research is essential, given the recent declines in harvest and

apparent stock condition for many of the important species of the Chesapeake Bay.

D. *Funding Availability.* (1) This solicitation announces that funding of up to \$285,000 will be available for new initiatives in FY00 for research projects providing regional information required for stock assessments. (2) This solicitation also announces that funding of up to \$500,000 is anticipated to be available for projects providing information on multispecies management or research in Chesapeake Bay.

II. Areas of Special Emphasis

A. Proposals should exhibit familiarity with related work that is completed or ongoing. Where appropriate, proposals should be multi-disciplinary. Coordinated efforts involving multiple eligible applicants or persons are encouraged. Eligible women and minority owned and operated non-profit organizations are encouraged to apply. (See Section III.A.)

(1) *Stock Assessment Research* - Consideration for funding will be given to applications that address the following stock assessment research and management priorities for the Chesapeake Bay. These priorities are not listed in any implied order:

(a) Conduct assessments of the abundance, productivity, and distribution of important Chesapeake Bay finfish and shellfish resources together with the patterns of their exploitation. Successful proposals may include research on life history characteristics, stock-recruitment relationships, and schedules of vital rates. Descriptions of stock structure, demographics and spatial distribution would also be appropriate. It is hoped that proposals would combine analyses of existing fishery-dependent and fishery-independent data. Proposals focusing on hard clams are particularly encouraged.

(b) Design of a method/survey to estimate the Baywide abundance of oysters in Chesapeake Bay. The purpose of this survey will be to track progress towards achieving the Chesapeake Bay Program goal of increasing the oyster population in Chesapeake Bay ten-fold by the year 2010. The investigators should take into consideration existing state surveys that already fill various data needs.

(c) Blue Crab Recreational Survey—A substantial blue crab recreational fishery exists in the Chesapeake Bay which has never been fully assessed. Recent work includes the development of methods for conducting a Baywide recreational