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The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance official program number and title of the program under which these petitions are submitted is 11.313, Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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Coordinator, Trade Adjustment and Technical Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Export Administration

National Defense Stockpile Market Impact Committee Request for Public Comments

AGENCY: Office of Strategic Industries and Economic Security, Bureau of Export Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of request for public comments on the potential market impact of proposed new material disposals and proposed revisions to current disposal levels of certain National Defense Stockpile commodities under the Fiscal Year (FY) 1998 Annual Materials Plan (AMP).

SUMMARY: This notice is to advise the public that the interagency National Defense Stockpile Market Impact Committee is seeking public comment on the potential market impact of Department of Defense proposed new

material disposals for Beryllium Copper Master Alloy, Chromium (Metal), Columbium (Carbide), Columbium (Minerals), Titanium Sponge, Tungsten (Ores & Concentrates), Tungsten (Carbide), Tungsten (Metal Powder), and Tungsten (Ferro) under a revised FY 1998 AMP. In addition, the revised AMP proposal includes raising the current FY 1998 disposal levels for Palladium, Platinum, and Bauxite (Surinam).

DATES: Comments must be received by September 26, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to Richard V. Meyers, Co-Chair, Stockpile Market Impact Committee, Office of Strategic Industries and Economic Security, Room 3876, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard V. Meyers, Office of Strategic Industries and Economic Security, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-3634; or Richard Watkins, International Commodities Division, U.S. Department of State, (202) 647-2871; co-chairs of the National Defense Stockpile Market Impact Committee.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the authority of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act of 1979, as amended (50 U.S.C. 98 *et seq.*) (the Act), the Department of Defense (as National Defense Stockpile Manager) maintains a stockpile of strategic and critical materials to supply the military, industrial, and essential civilian needs

of the United States for national defense. The Act (50 U.S.C. 98h-1) formally established a Market Impact Committee (the Committee) to "advise the National Defense Stockpile Manager on the projected domestic and foreign economic effects of all acquisitions and disposals of materials from the stockpile * * *." The Committee must also balance market impact concerns with the statutory requirement to protect the Government against avoidable loss.

The Committee is comprised of representatives from the Departments of Commerce, State, Agriculture, Defense, Energy, Interior, Treasury and the Federal Emergency Management Agency and is co-chaired by the Departments of Commerce and State. The Act directs the Committee to "consult from time to time with representatives of producers, processors and consumers of the types of materials stored in the stockpile."

The Committee is now considering Defense's proposed new National Defense Stockpile material disposal levels and revisions to current Stockpile material disposal levels under the FY 1998 AMP. These materials are currently under Congressional consideration for disposal in FY 1998. The Committee is seeking public comment on the potential market impact of the sale of these materials in the event that Congress does grant such disposal authority.

The new materials list identified below is proposed for inclusion in the FY 1998 AMP:

PROPOSED NEW MATERIAL DISPOSAL AUTHORITY FOR FY 1998

Material	Units	Current FY 1998 quantity	Revised FY 1998 quantity
Beryllium Copper Master Alloy	ST	0	1,250
Chromium (Metal)	ST	0	500
Columbium (Carbide)	LBS Cb	0	21,372
Columbium (Minerals)	LBS Cb	0	200,000
Titanium Sponge	ST	0	4,000
Tungsten (Ores & Concentrates)	LBS W	0	2,000,000
Tungsten (Carbide)	LBS W	0	100,000
Tungsten (Metal Powder)	LBS W	0	100,000
Tungsten (Ferro)	LBS W	0	100,000

The following list of materials are presently included in the FY 1998 AMP. However, DNSC proposes to increase

the maximum disposal authority for these materials.

PROPOSED REVISIONS TO FY 1998 AMP

Material	Units	Current FY 1998 quantity	Revised FY 1998 quantity
Palladium	Tr Oz	15,000	300,000
Platinum	Tr Oz	10,000	125,000
Bauxite (Surinam)	LDT	300,000	800,000

The proposed FY 1998 disposal quantity for each listed material is the maximum amount of material that may be sold in a particular fiscal year. Please note that these quantities are not sales targets. The quantity of each material that will actually be offered for sale will depend on the market for the material at the time of the offering. It will also depend on the maximum quantity of each material approved for disposal by the Congress.

The Committee requests that interested parties provide written comments, supporting data and documentation, and any other relevant information on the potential market impact of the sale of any commodity in the above lists. Although comments in response to this Notice must be received by September 26, 1997 to ensure full consideration by the Committee, interested parties are encouraged to submit additional comments and supporting information at any time thereafter to keep the Committee informed as to the market impact of the sale of the commodities. Public comment is an important element of the Committee's market impact review process.

Public comments received will be made available at the Department of Commerce for public inspection and copying. Material that is national security classified or business confidential will be exempted from public disclosure. Anyone submitting business confidential information should clearly identify the business confidential portion of the submission and also provide a non-confidential submission that can be placed in the public file. Communications from agencies of the United States Government will not be made available for public inspection.

The public record concerning this notice will be maintained in the Bureau of Export Administration's Records Inspection Facility, Room 4525, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230, telephone (202) 482-5653. The records in this facility may be inspected and copied in accordance with the regulations published in Part 4 of Title 15 of the Code of Federal Regulations (15 CFR 4.1 *et seq.*).

Information about the inspection and copying of records at the facility may be obtained from Ms. Margaret Cornejo, the Bureau of Export Administration's Freedom of Information Officer, at the above address and telephone number.

Dated: August 21, 1997.

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Director, Economic Analysis Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 916]

Grant of Authority for Subzone Status; Minnesota Mining & Manufacturing Company; (Pharmaceutical Products) Los Angeles, 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 Board of Harbor Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles, California, grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 202, for authority to establish special-purpose subzone status at the pharmaceutical manufacturing plant of the Minnesota Mining & Manufacturing Company, in Los Angeles, California, was filed by the Board on May 15, 1996, and notice inviting public comment was given in the **Federal Register** (FTZ Docket 41-96, 61 FR 26157, 5-24-96); 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 is in the public interest;

Now, Therefore, the Board hereby grants authority for subzone status at the pharmaceutical manufacturing plant of the Minnesota Mining & Manufacturing Company, located in Los Angeles, California (Subzone 202A), at the location described in the application, and subject to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations, including § 400.28.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 20th day of August 1997.

Robert S. LaRussa,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket A(32b1)-3-97]

Foreign-Trade Zone No. 143—Sacramento, CA Area, Request for Manufacturing Authority (Computers and Related Electronic Products), Lincoln, California

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by Zytec Services and Logistics (ZSL), an operator of FTZ 143, pursuant to § 400.32(b)(1) of the Board's regulations (15 CFR part 400), requesting authority on behalf of ZSL to manufacture and assemble computers and related electronic products and subassemblies within FTZ 143. It was formally filed on August 19, 1997.

ZSL operates a facility (800 employees) within FTZ 143 (Site 2 (6 acres, 2 bldgs.) at the Lincoln Airport Business Park) for the manufacture, assembly, distribution, repair and final systems integration of computers and related electronic products and components. Most of ZSL's manufacturing and assembly activity at this site involves contract work for computer and electronic product manufacturers, and includes contract service and repair activity. The manufacturing activity that ZSL proposes to conduct under FTZ procedures at the outset would primarily involve the manufacture/assembly of personal computers, monitors, printers and peripherals such as optical scanners and digital imaging cameras.

A number of components are purchased from abroad (an estimated 70% of total material value), including: Printed circuit boards, silicon wafers, rectifiers, integrated circuits, memory modules, CD-ROM drives, disk drives, scanners, hard drives, keyboards, monitors/displays (CRT and LCD type), LEDs, speakers, microphones, belts, valves, bearings, plastic materials, industrial chemicals, sensors, filters, resistors, transducers, fuses, plugs, relays, ink cartridges, toner cartridges, switches, fasteners, cards, transformers, DC/electric motors, magnets, modems, batteries, cabinets, power supplies,