

authority to expand its zone in the New Orleans, Louisiana area, within the New Orleans Customs port of entry. The application was submitted pursuant to the provisions of the FTZ Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), and the regulations of the Board (15 CFR Part 400). It was formally filed on November 18, 1997.

FTZ 2 was approved on July 16, 1946 (Board Order 12, 11 FR 8235, 7/31/46) and expanded on April 9, 1984 (Board Order 245, 49 FR 15006, 4/16/84); May 8, 1986 (Board Order 331, 51 FR 17783, 5/15/86); and, November 13, 1991 (Board Order 544, 56 FR 58682, 11/21/91). The zone project currently consists of the following sites: *Site 1* (19 acres)—at the Napoleon Avenue Wharf; New Orleans; *Site 2* (76 acres)—within the Almonaster-Michoud Industrial District (AMID) on the Inner Harbor Navigation Canal and the Mississippi River Gulf Outlet, New Orleans; *Site 3* (700 acres)—Newport Industrial Park, adjacent to AMID, New Orleans; *Site 4* (159,000 sq. ft)—warehouse facility at 200 Crofton Road, adjacent to the New Orleans International Airport, Kenner (Jefferson Parish); and, *Site 5* (23,500 sq. ft.)—warehouse facility at 2445-2447 Aberdeen Street, adjacent to the New Orleans International Airport.

The applicant is now requesting authority to expand the general-purpose zone to include two Mississippi River port terminal facilities at the Port of St. Bernard in St. Bernard Parish, adjacent to New Orleans: *Site 6* (136 acres)—Arabi Terminal and Industrial Park, at Mile Point 90.5 on the Mississippi River, Arabi; and, *Site 7* (216 acres)—Chalmette Terminal and Industrial Park, one mile downriver from the Arabi Terminal. Both sites are owned and operated by the St. Bernard Port, Harbor and Terminal District, and the entire Port site is an Enterprise Zone. 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 January 27, 1998. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to February 11, 1998).

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

U.S. Export Assistance Center, Suite 2150, One Canal Place, 365 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA 70130
Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 3716, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th & Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

Dated: November 20, 1997.

John J. Da Ponte, Jr.,

Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 79-97]

Foreign-Trade Zone 33—Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Area Application for Expansion

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board (the Board) by the Regional Industrial Development Corporation of Southwestern Pennsylvania, grantee of FTZ 33, requesting authority to expand its zone in the Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania area, within the Pittsburgh 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 November 17, 1997.

Zone 33 was approved on November 9, 1977 (Board Order 124, 42 F.R. 59398, 11/17/77) and expanded on March 16, 1981 (Board Order 172, 46 F.R. 18063, 3/23/81). The general-purpose portion of the FTZ project currently consists of two sites: *Site 1* (43 acres)—within the 500-acre RIDC Park West, Park West Drive, Findlay Township, Allegheny County; and, *Site 2* (3 acres)—S.H. Bell Company's London Metal Exchange warehouse facility, One Third Street, Allegheny County, Braddock.

The applicant is now requesting authority to expand both existing sites and to add two new general-purpose sites to its zone project as follows: *Site 1*—add 6 acres to the existing 43-acre Site 1 within the RIDC Park West complex (includes 3 acres that was previously transferred to Site 2 in 1994); *Site 2*—add 6 acres to the existing Site 2, covering the entire S.H. Bell Company's warehouse facility; *Proposed Site 3* (5,427 acres)—within the 10,000-acre Pittsburgh International Airport

complex (includes an aviation fuel depot consisting of four storage tanks), approximately 10 miles from Pittsburgh; and, *Proposed Site 4* (140 acres)—Leetsdale Industrial Park, First and Center Avenues, Leetsdale. The proposed changes to Sites 1 and 2 would increase these sites to 49 acres and 9 acres respectively. With the changes, the new FTZ plan would cover some 5,625 acres with 25 buildings (1.4 mil. sq. ft.). The two additional sites would be used primarily for warehousing/distribution and air cargo activity. 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 January 27, 1998. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to February 13, 1998.

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, Federal Building, Suite 2002, 1000 Liberty Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15222.
Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 3716, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th & Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

Dated: November 20, 1997.

John J. Da Ponte, Jr.,

Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Certificate of Eligibility for Billfishes; Proposed Collection; Comment Request

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to

take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before January 27, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Jill Stevenson, F/SF1, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301-713-2347).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

A Certificate of Eligibility for Billfishes is required under 50 CFR Section 644 to accompany all billfish except for a billfish landed in a Pacific state and remaining in the state of landing. This documentation certifies that the accompanying billfish was not harvested from the Atlantic Ocean management unit (described on the form). The certificate must accompany the billfish to any dealer or processor who subsequently receives or possesses the billfish. This collection is necessary to implement the Atlantic Billfish Fishery Management Plan whose objective is to reserve Atlantic billfish for the recreational fishery.

II. Method of Collection

Completion of certificate and recordkeeping.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648-0216

Form Number: None assigned.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Businesses and other for-profit (seafood importers, distributors).

Estimated Number of Respondents: 10 for completion of certificate and 250 for recordkeeping.

Estimated Time Per Response: 20 minutes for completion of certificate and 2 minutes for recordkeeping.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 117 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$0 (no capital expenditures are required).

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have

practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: November 20, 1997.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D.111497A]

Ecosystem Principles Advisory Panel; Advisory Panel Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of advisory panel meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 406 of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act), which requires NMFS to establish an advisory panel to develop recommendations to expand the application of ecosystem principles in fishery conservation and management activities, NMFS is announcing the date, time, and location of the second of three advisory panel meetings scheduled as follows:

DATES: The second advisory panel meeting will be held Monday, December 15, 1997, 9 a.m. to 6:15 p.m. and Tuesday, December 16, 1997, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Edmond Meany Hotel, 4507 Brooklyn Ave. NE, Seattle, Washington 98104.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ned Cyr, Office of Science and Technology, NMFS, 1315 East-West Hwy., Silver Spring, MD 20910; Telephone: (301)713-2363, Fax: (301)713-1875.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 406 of the Magnuson-Stevens Act

requires NMFS to establish an advisory panel, no later than April 11, 1997, to develop recommendations to expand the application of ecosystem principles in fishery conservation and management activities. The panel will consist of no more than 20 individuals with expertise in the structures, functions, and physical and biological characteristics of ecosystems. The panel will also consist of representatives from the Regional Fishery Management Councils, states, fishing industry, conservation organizations, or others with expertise in the management of marine resources. The panel is required to submit a report to Congress by October 11, 1998, to include the following: an analysis of the extent to which ecosystem principles are being applied in fishery conservation and management activities, including research activities; proposed actions by the Secretary of Commerce and by Congress that should be undertaken to expand the application of ecosystem principles in fishery conservation and management; and such other information as may be appropriate.

The first Advisory Panel meeting was held Wednesday, September 10 and Thursday, September 11, 1997, in Washington, DC.

Time will be allotted for public comments at the meeting. Persons planning to comment at the panel meeting should notify NMFS at least 2 weeks prior to the meeting (close of business Monday, December 1, 1997).

Special Accommodations

The review panel meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Ned Cyr at (301) 713-2363 at least 10 days prior to the advisory panel meeting.

Dated: November 21, 1997.

David L. Evans,

Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and