

Secretary seeks nominations of individuals to be considered for selection as NOSB members.

DATES: Written nominations, with resumes, must be postmarked on or before September 20, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Nominations should be sent to Keith Jones, Program Manager, Room 2510 South Building, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), AMS, Transportation and Marketing, National Organic Program, P.O. Box 96456, Washington, DC 20090-6456.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Keith Jones, (202) 720-3252.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The OFPA of 1990 requires the Secretary to establish an organic certification program for producers and handlers of agricultural products that have been produced using organic methods. In developing this program, the Secretary is required to establish a NOSB. The purpose of the NOSB is to assist in the development of standards for substances to be used in organic production and to advise the Secretary on any other aspects of the implementation of the program.

The current NOSB made recommendations to the Secretary regarding various matters, including recommendations regarding substances that it believed should be permitted to be used in organic production. It is expected that the NOSB will continue to work and make additional recommendations to the Secretary on various matters, including substances that should be permitted or prohibited for use in organic production and processing.

The NOSB was originally established in January 1992. A member of the NOSB is to serve for a term of 5 years, except that the original members were to serve staggered terms. The terms of four members of the current NOSB, who were appointed for 5-year terms, will be completed on January 24, 2000. A board member may serve consecutive terms if such member served an original term that was less than 5 years.

The NOSB is required to be composed of various individuals, including individuals who own or operate an organic farming operation, an organic handling operation, and a retail store with significant trade in organic products, as well as individuals who have expertise in the areas of environmental protection and resource conservation.

Nominations are sought for the positions of farmer/grower (1), environmentalist (1), retailer (1), and handler/processor (1). An individual desiring to be appointed to the NOSB at

this time must be one of the following: An owner or operator of an organic farming operation, an owner or operator of a handling operation, an owner or operator of a retail store with significant trade in organic products, or an expert in the area of environmental or resource conservation.

Selection criteria will include such factors as: Demonstrated experience and interest in organics; commodity and geographic representation; endorsed support of consumer and public interest organizations; demonstrated experience with environmental concerns; and other factors as may be appropriate for specific positions.

After applications have been reviewed, individuals receiving nominations will be contacted and supplied with biographical information forms. The biographical information must be completed and returned to USDA within 10 working days of the receipt of the forms, to expedite the security clearance process that is required by USDA.

Equal opportunity practices will be followed in all appointments to the Board in accordance with USDA policies. To ensure that the recommendations for the Board have taken into account the needs of the diverse groups served by the Department, membership shall include, to the extent practicable, individuals with demonstrated ability to represent minorities, women, and persons with disabilities.

The information collection requirements concerning the nomination process have been previously cleared by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under OMB Control No. 0505-0001.

Authority: 7.U.S.C. 6501-6522.

Dated: June 16, 1999.

Eileen S. Stommes,

Deputy Administrator, Transportation and Marketing.

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ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOME

Privacy Act of 1974; Computer Matching Program Between the Armed Forces Retirement Home and the Social Security Administration

AGENCY: Armed Forces Retirement Home.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 552a(e)(12) of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, and the Office of

Management and Budget (OMB) Guidelines on the Conduct of Matching Programs, notice is hereby made of the computer matching between the Armed Forces Retirement Home (AFRH) and the Social Security Administration (SSA). The purpose of this match is for SSA to provide and verify benefit payment information on the AFRH's residents.

DATES: This proposed action will become effective July 22, 1999. The computer matching will proceed accordingly without further notice, unless comments are received which would result in a contrary determination or if the Office of Management and Budget, or Congress, objects thereto. Any public comment must be received before the effective date.

ADDRESSES: Any interested party may submit written comments to the U.S. Soldiers' and Airmen's Home, Resource Management Directorate, 3700 N Capitol Street NW, Washington, DC 20317-0002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Donna H. Dietz, at (202) 722-3163.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: AFRH and SSA have concluded an agreement to conduct a computer matching program. The purpose of this agreement is to establish the conditions under which the SSA agrees to the disclosure of benefit payment information for the residents of the AFRH, which includes the United States Soldiers' and Airmen's Home (USSAH) and United States Naval Home (USNH). The AFRH Resident Fee Maintenance System will be used in a matching program with the SSA Master Beneficiary Records and Supplemental Security Income Records. Residents of the AFRH are required by 24 U.S.C. 414 to pay a monthly fee, which is a percentage of their monthly income and monthly payments, (including federal payments); thus, the AFRH will use the SSA data to verify the benefit earnings information currently provided by the residents, and identify any unreported recipients of benefit payments. A computer matching is the most efficient and effective manner to accomplish this task with the least amount of intrusion of personal privacy of the individuals concerned. It was therefore concluded and agreed upon that computer matching would be the best and least obtrusive manner and choice of accomplishing this requirement.

The matching agreement and an advance copy of this notice were submitted on June 9, 1999, to the Committee on Governmental Reform and Oversight of the United States

House of Representatives, the Committee on Governmental Affairs of the United States Senate, and the Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget. The matching program is subject to review by Congress and OMB and shall not become effective until that review period has elapsed.

David F. Lacy,

Armed Forces Retirement Home Board, Chair/CEO.

Computer Matching Program Between the Armed Forces Retirement Home and the Social Security Administration

A. Participating Agencies: AFRH and SSA.

B. Purpose of the Matching Program: The purpose of this computer matching program is to identify and verify the gross Social Security benefit earnings of each resident of the AFRH. This is necessary to properly assess correct resident fee amounts, which is required by 24 USC 414 to be a percentage of residents' monthly income and monthly payments (including federal payments).

C. Authority for Conducting the Matching Program: The Armed Forces Retirement Home Act of 1991, 24 USC 401-441, requires the Directors of the USSAH and USNH, which are incorporated under the Armed Forces Retirement Home, to collect from each resident a monthly resident fee. The fee is a percentage of residents' monthly income and monthly payments (including federal payments).

D. Records to be Matched: The SSA records involved in the match are the Supplemental Security Income Record, SSA/OSR, 09-60-0103, and the Master Beneficiary Record, SSA/OSR, 09-60-0090. The AFRH will provide a finder fee established from the AFRH Resident Fee Maintenance System (last published at 58 FR 68629).

E. Inclusive Dates of the Matching Program: This computer matching program is subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget and Congress. If there are no objections by either within 40 days, and the 30 day public notice period for comment has expired for this **Federal Register** notice with no significant adverse public comments, this computer matching program becomes effective and the respective agencies may begin the exchange of data at a mutually agreeable time and will be repeated on a semiannual basis. Under no circumstances shall the matching program be implemented before the 30 day public notice period for comment has elapsed as this time period cannot be waived. By agreement between SSA

and AFRH, the matching program will be in effect and continue for 18 months with an option to renew for 12 additional months unless one of the parties to the agreement advises the other by written request to terminate or modify the agreement.

F. Address for Receipt of Public Comments or Inquiries: U.S. Soldiers' and Airmen's Home, Resource Management Directorate, 3700 N Capitol Street NW, Washington, DC 20317-0002, (202) 722-3163.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No 1041]

Grant of Authority for Subzone Status; Komatsu Latin-America Corporation (Construction/Mining Equipment Components and Products), Miami, Florida

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, the Foreign-Trade Zones Act provides 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," and authorizes the Foreign-Trade Zones Board 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, and when the activity results in a significant public benefit and is in the public interest;

Whereas, the Greater Miami Foreign-Trade Zone, Inc., grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 32, has made application to the Board for authority to establish special-purpose subzone status at the construction and mining equipment components and products warehousing/distribution (non-manufacturing) facility of Komatsu Latin-America Corporation, located in Miami, Florida, (FTZ Docket 19-98, filed 4/6/98, and amended 11/30/98);

Whereas, notice inviting public comment has been given in the **Federal Register** (63 FR 18363, 4/15/98 and 63 FR 67645, 12/8/98); 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, as amended, is in the public interest;

Now, Therefore, the Board hereby grants authority for subzone status at the construction and mining equipment parts warehousing/distribution facility of Komatsu Latin-America Corporation, located in Miami, Florida, (Subzone 32B), at the location described in the application, as amended, and subject to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations, including § 400.28. The scope of authority does not include activity conducted under FTZ procedures that would result in a change in tariff classification.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 11th day of June 1999.

Robert S. LaRussa,

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

Attest:

Dennis Puccinelli,

Acting Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 1040]

Expansion of Foreign-Trade Zone 40, Cleveland, Ohio

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, the Cleveland-Cuyahoga County Port Authority, grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 40, submitted an application to the Board for authority to expand FTZ 40 to include four new sites at the Emerald Valley Business Park (Site 5), the Collinwood Industrial Park (Site 6), the Water Tower Industrial Park (Site 7) and the Strongsville Industrial Park (Site 8) in Cuyahoga County, Ohio, within the Cleveland Customs port of entry (FTZ Docket 31-98; filed 6/15/98);

Whereas, notice inviting public comment was given in the **Federal Register** (63 FR 34144, 6/23/98) and the application has been processed pursuant to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations; and,

Whereas, the Board adopts the findings and recommendations of the examiner's report, and finds that the requirements of the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations are satisfied, and