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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Telephone Bank, USDA

Staff Briefing for the Board of Directors

TIME AND DATE: 2 p.m., Thursday, August 16, 2001.

PLACE: Conference 0204, South Building, Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC.

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED:

- 1. Contract for business advisor to the Privatization Committee.
- 2. Retirement of Class A stock in FY 2001.
- 3. Annual Class C stock dividend rate.
- 4. Amendment to bylaw section 2.2(c).
- 5. Allowance for loan losses reserve.
- Current telecommunications industry issues.
- 7. Administrative issues.

ACTION: Stockholders' Meeting.

TIME AND DATE: 9 a.m., Friday, August 17, 2001.

PLACE: Conference Room 104–A, Jamie L. Whitten Building, Department of Agriculture, 12th and Jefferson Drive, SW., Washington, DC.

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: The following matters have been placed on the agenda for the stockholders' meeting.

- 1. Call to order.
- 2. Establishment of a quorum.
- 3. Action on Minutes of the August 6, 1999, stockholders' meeting.
- 4. Secretary's report on loans approved.
- 5. Treasurer's report.
- 6. Privatization Committee report.
- 7. New business.
- 8. Adjournment.

ACTION: Board of Directors Meeting. **TIME AND DATE:** Following the stockholders' meeting, Friday, August 17, 2001.

PLACE: Conference Room 104–A, Jamie L. Whitten Building, Department of Agriculture, 12th and Jefferson Drive, SW., Washington, DC.

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: The following matters have been placed on the agenda for the Board of Directors meeting:

- 1. Call to order.
- 2. Action on Minutes of the May 11, 2001, board meeting.

- 3. Report on the allowance for loan losses reserve.
- 4. Consideration of resolution to retire Class A stock in FY 2001.
- 5. Consideration of resolution to set annual Class C stock dividend rate.
- 6. Action on amendment to bylaw section 2.2(c).
- 7. Ajournment.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Roberta D. Purcell, Assistant Governor, Rural Telephone Bank, (202) 720–9554.

Dated: August 2, 2001.

Blaine D. Stockton,

Acting Governor, Rural Telephone Bank. [FR Doc. 01–19994 Filed 8–6–01; 12:46 pm] BILLING CODE 3410–15–P

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 45-99]

Withdrawal of Application for Subzone Status for J. Baker, Inc.; (Distribution of Apparel, Footwear and Accessories) Foreign-Trade Zone 27—Boston, MA (Canton, MA)

Notice is hereby given of the withdrawal of the application submitted by the Massachusetts Port Authority, grantee of FTZ 27, Boston, MA, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the apparel, footwear and accessories warehousing/distribution facilities of J. Baker, Inc., located in Canton, MA. The application was filed on September 13, 1999 (64 FR 49440, 9/13/99).

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

Dated: July 31, 2001.

Dennis Puccinelli,

Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 34-2001]

Foreign-Trade Zone 40—Cleveland, Ohio; Request for Manufacturing Authority; HMI Industries Inc. (High Filtration Vacuum and Air Cleaners)

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Cleveland-Cuyahoga County Port Authority, grantee of FTZ 40, on behalf of HMI Industries Inc. (HMI), requesting authority to manufacture vacuum and air cleaners under FTZ procedures within FTZ 40— Site 8. The application was formally filed on July 31, 2001.

The application requests authority on behalf of HMI to manufacture high filtration vacuum and air cleaners under zone procedures within FTZ 40—Site 8, Strongsville Industrial Park, Royalton Road (State Route 82), Strongsville, Ohio. The HMI facility (117 employees) is located at 13325 Darice Parkway, Unit A (1 bldg., 80,000 sq. ft.).

HMI is currently using FTZ procedures for the warehouse and distribution operations at this facility. The facility is also used for the manufacture of high filtration vacuum surface and air cleaning devices (HTS 8509 and 8421, duty free). Components and materials sourced from abroad (representing about 30% of all parts consumed in manufacturing) include: AC/DC motors; paper sacks and bags; insulated copper conductors and other insulated conductors; flexible plastic tubes, pipes and hoses and their plastic fittings; metal casters; aluminum casting articles; and vacuum cleaners, housings and parts (HTS 8501.2060, 8501.2040, 8509.9015, 8509.1000, 4819.4000, 8544.5190, 8544.5920, 3917.3900, 3917.4000, 8302.2000, 7616.9950, 8509.9005, duty rates range from dutyfree to 5.7%, weighted average—1%).

FTZ procedures would exempt HMI from Customs duty payments on the foreign components used in export production. Nearly 70 percent of the plant's shipments are exported. On its domestic sales, HMI would be able to choose the duty rates during Customs entry procedures that apply to finished vacuum and air cleaners (duty-free) for the foreign inputs noted above. The company would also be exempt from duty payments on foreign merchandise that becomes scrap/waste. The application indicates that savings from zone procedures would help improve the plant'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.

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 of their receipt is October 9, 2001. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to October 24, 2001.

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

U.S. Department of Commerce, Export Assistance Center, 600 Superior Avenue, East #700, Cleveland, OH 44114.

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

Dated: August 2, 2001.

Dennis Puccinelli,

 ${\it Executive Secretary.}$

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 11-2001]

Foreign-Trade Zone 147—Reading, Pennsylvania; Application for Subzone Status; Amendment of Application— C&J Clark America, Inc. (Distribution of Footwear)

Notice is hereby given that the application of the Foreign-Trade Zone Corporation of Southeastern Pennsylvania, grantee of FTZ 147, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the footwear warehousing/distribution facility of C&J Clark America, Inc. (Clark), in Hanover, Pennsylvania (66 FR 12459, 2/27/01), has been amended to include an additional building (71,153 sq. ft.) within the subzone. The building will be used for receiving, storage, handling, packaging, distributing and shipping footwear.

The application remains otherwise unchanged.

The comment period is reopened until September 7, 2001.

Dated: August 2, 2001.

Dennis Puccinelli,

Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-351-828]

Certain Hot-Rolled Flat-Rolled Carbon Quality Steel Products From Brazil: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review of the Suspension Agreement

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

ACTION: Notice of preliminary results of antidumping duty administrative review of the suspension agreement.

SUMMARY: In response to a request from petitioners, Bethlehem Steel Corporation, Ispat Inland, Inc., LTV Steel Company Inc., National Steel Corporation, and U.S. Steel Group, a unit of USX Corporation (collectively domestic producers), the Department of Commerce (the Department) is conducting an administrative review of the Suspension Agreement on hot-rolled flat-rolled carbon quality steel (hotrolled steel) from Brazil. This review covers three manufacturers and exporters of the subject merchandise, Companhia Siderurgica Nacional (CSN), Usinas Siderurgicas de Minas Gerais (USIMINAS), and Companhia Siderurgica Paulista (COSIPA) during the period of review (POR) from July 19, 1999 through June 30, 2000. We preliminarily determine that CSN and USIMINAS have made sales below the reference price established by the Suspension Agreement. We also preliminarily determine that the amount by which the estimated normal value exceeds the export price for each entry by CSN and USIMINAS/COSIPA indicates that the dumping margin on certain entries exceeds 15 percent of the weighted average margin for CSN and USIMINAS/COSIPA in the LTV investigation. For reasons stated in this notice, the Department preliminarily determines that CSN and USIMINAS/ COSIPA have violated the Agreement. Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results. Parties who submit comments are requested to submit with the argument: (1) a statement of the issues and (2) a brief summary of the arguments.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 8, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Phyllis Hall (CSN), Michael Ferrier or Dena Aliadinov (USIMINAS/COSIPA), or Nancy Decker, Enforcement Group III, Office 8, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th

Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Room 7866, Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482–1394, (202) 482–3362, and (202) 482–0196, respectively.

The Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the statute are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act) by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (URAA). In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department's regulations are references to the provisions codified at 19 CFR part 351 (2000).

Background

On July 6, 1999, the Department entered into the Agreement Suspending the Antidumping Investigation on Hot-Rolled Flat-Rolled Carbon-Quality Steel from Brazil produced by CSN, USIMINAS, and COSIPA. See Suspension of Antidumping Duty Investigation: Hot-Rolled Flat-Rolled Carbon-Quality Steel Products from Brazil, 64 FR 38792, (July 19, 1999) (Suspension Agreement). This agreement was entered into under section 734(c) of the Act and section 351.208 of the Department's regulations. Section 734(c)(1) of the Act requires: (1) that the agreement eliminate completely the injurious effect of exports to the United States of the subject merchandise and (2) that the suppression or undercutting of price levels of domestic products by imports of the merchandise will be prevented; and (2) that for each entry of each exporter, the amount by which the estimated normal value exceeds the export price (or constructed export price) will not exceed 15 percent of the weighted average amount by which the estimated normal value exceeded the export price (or constructed export price) for all less-than-fair-value entries of the producer/exporter examined during the course of the investigation. To satisfy the statutory criteria, the Suspension Agreement requires all signatories (CSN, USIMINAS, and COSIPA) to sell covered products in the United States at or above established reference prices and to satisfy the requirements of section 734(c)(1)(B) of the Act. The reference prices are set on a quarterly basis and include all transportation charges to the U.S. port of entry, together with port fees, duties, offloading, wharfage, and other charges incurred in bringing the steel to the first customs port of discharge in the U.S. market. See the Suspension Agreement, 64 FR 38793.