DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

B–40–2013

Notification of Proposed Production Activity, CNH America, LLC, Subzone 59B, (Agricultural Equipment Production); Grand Island, Nebraska

The Lincoln Foreign-Trade Inc., grantee of FTZ 59, submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board on behalf of CNH America, LLC, located in Grand Island, Nebraska. The notification conforms to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.2) and was received on April 17, 2013. The CNH facilities are located within Subzone 59B. The facility currently has authority to produce combines, haytools and related equipment using certain foreign-sourced components. The currently requested activity involves additional combine subassemblies and other agricultural equipment. Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), FTZ activity would be limited to the specific foreign-status materials and components and specific finished products listed in the submitted notification (as described below) and subsequently authorized by the FTZ Board.

Production under FTZ procedures could exempt CNH from customs duty payments on the foreign status components used in export production. On its domestic sales, CNH would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to combine and other agricultural equipment including: cab platforms; conveyors and mountings; cooler screens and mountings; grain separators; grain pan modules; grain elevator head strip-off plates; rotors, rotor cages, and vibrators; tail housings; vertical auger tubes; chopper drive gearbox accessories; cotton picker frames and cabs; and, non-motorized bale wagons (duty rates range from free to 2.8%) for the foreign status inputs noted below. Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign status production equipment. The components and materials sourced from abroad include: sealant; sealant paste; oil drain assemblies; rubber pads; flaps and seals; rubber adhesive strips; rubber hoses and elbows; transmission belts; floor mats; gaskets; instruction manuals; brake hose ferrules; lawn mower blades and parts; security keys; fuel pumps; fans and fan assemblies; heating ventilation air conditioners and parts; heater coils; hydraulic fluid filters; engine intake air filters; sprayer nozzles; conveyor belts; feeder chute cylinders; crop spreaders; hose and air guns; valves and valve assemblies; bearings and bearing housings; converters; safety clutches; battery systems; ignition alternator; speakers; GPS navigational systems; AM/FM radios; antennas; headlights; harness wires and cable batteries; bale wagon chassis; flail blades for straw chopper; drive axles; radiators; temperature sensors; pressure gauges; and, seats (duty rates range from free to 5%).

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the Board’s Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is June 24, 2013. A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Executive Secretary; Foreign-Trade Zones Board; Room 21013; U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230–0002; and in the “Reading Room” section of the Board’s Web site; which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

For further information; contact Diane Finver at Diane_FINVER@trade.gov or (202) 482–1367.

Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 1989]

Reorganization and Expansion of Foreign-Trade Zone 3 (Expansion of Service Area and Additional Site) San Francisco, 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, the Board adopted the alternative site framework (ASF) (15 CFR 400.2(c)) as an option for the establishment or reorganization of zones;

Whereas, the San Francisco Port Commission, grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 3, submitted an application to the Board (FTZ Docket B–1–2013, docketed 01–09–2013, amended 02–28–2013) for authority to expand the service area of the zone to include Contra Costa, Marin and Solano Counties, as well as portions of Napa and Sonoma Counties, California, and include a new usage-driven site, as described in the amended application, within and adjacent to the San Francisco U.S. Customs and Border Protection port of entry;

Whereas, notice inviting public comment was given in the Federal Register (78 FR 2952, 01/15/2013, 78 FR 14962–14963, 03/08/2013) 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;

Now, therefore, the Board hereby orders:

The application of FTZ 3 to expand the service area under the ASF and include a new usage-drive site is approved, subject to the FTZ Act and the Board’s regulations, including Section 400.13, to the Board’s standard 2,000-acre activation limit for the zone and to a three-year ASF sunset provision for usage-driven sites that would terminate authority for Site 6 if no foreign-status merchandise is admitted for a bona fide customs purpose by April 30, 2016.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 30th day of April 2013.

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

Attest:
Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 1897]

Reorganization of Foreign-Trade Zone 147 Under Alternative Site Framework Reading, Pennsylvania

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 Board adopted the alternative site framework (ASF) (15 CFR 400.2(c)) as an option for the establishment or reorganization of zones;