DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board [Docket 26-2009]

Foreign-Trade Zone 73 - Baltimore/ Washington International Airport, MD, Application for SubzonelKEA Wholesale, Inc. (Home furnishings and accessories), Perryville, MD

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Maryland Department of Transportation/ Maryland Aviation Administration, grantee of FTZ 73, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the warehousing and distribution facility of IKEA Wholesale Inc. (IKEA), located in Perryville, Maryland. 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 July 2, 2009.

The IKEA facility (400 full-time and part-time employees, 242 acres/ 1.7 million square feet) is located at 100 Ikea Way, Perryville, Maryland. The facility is used for the storage and distribution of merchandise that includes: housewares and home furnishings, home textiles, glassware, kitchenware, appliances, cutlery, furniture, flooring and floor coverings, window treatments and fixtures, lighting fixtures, lamps, electrical products, batteries, hand tools, closet and storage accessories, office accessories, paper products, computers, CDs and DVDs, clocks and timers, toys, sporting goods, seasonal decorations, home recreation/entertainment items, and brooms and brushes (duty rate range: from free to 38%).

FTZ procedures could exempt IKEA from customs duty payments on the foreign goods exported from the proposed subzone. The company anticipates that some 25 percent of the facility's shipments will be exported. On its domestic sales, the company would be able to defer duty payments until merchandise is shipped from the facility and entered for consumption. FTZ designation would further allow IKEA to realize logistical benefits through the use of weekly customs entry procedures. The request indicates that the savings from FTZ procedures would help improve the facility's international competitiveness.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, Pierre Duy of the FTZ Staff is designated examiner to evaluate and analyze the facts and information presented in the application and case

record and to report findings and recommendations to the Board.Public comment 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 September 11, 2009. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to September 28, 2009.

A copy of the application will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign–Trade Zones Board, Room 2111, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230–0002, and in the "Reading Room" section of the Board's website, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

For further information, contact Pierre Duy at: pierre _duy@ita.doc.gov, or (202) 482–1378.

Dated: July 2, 2009.

Andrew McGilvray,

Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

Order No. 1627

Grant of Authority For Subzone Status, Black & Decker Corporation (Power Tools, Lawn and Garden Tools and Home Products Warehousing and Distribution), Jackson, Tennessee

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 and Border Protection 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 City of Memphis, Tennessee, grantee of FTZ 77, has made application to the Board for authority to establish special—purpose subzone status at the power tools/lawn and garden tools and home products warehousing and distribution facilities of Black & Decker Corporation, located in Jackson, Tennessee (FTZ Docket 44—2008, filed 8/5/2008);

Whereas, notice inviting public comment has been given in the **Federal Register** (73 FR 47585, 8/14/2008); 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 that approval of the application is in the public interest;

Now, therefore, the Board hereby grants authority for subzone status for activity related to power tools/lawn and garden tools and home products warehousing and distribution at the Black & Decker Corporation facility located in Jackson, Tennessee (Subzone 77D), as described in the application and Federal Register notice, and subject to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations, including Section 400.28.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 26th day of June 2009.

Ronald K. Lorentzen,

Acting 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

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; General Provisions for Domestic Fisheries; Application for Exempted Fishing Permits

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

ACTION: Notification of a proposal to conduct exempted fishing; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Assistant Regional Administrator for Sustainable Fisheries, Northeast Region, NMFS (Assistant Regional Administrator), has made a preliminary determination that the subject Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP) application that was submitted by the