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Julia Paradis,

Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Brass Sheet and Strip from Germany: Notice of Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of Administrative Review

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 18, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dennis McClure or George McMahon at (202) 482–5973 and (202) 482–1167, respectively; AD/CVD Operations, Office 3, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On April 27, 2009, the Department of Commerce (the ''Department'') initiated an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on brass sheet and strip from Germany with respect to Wieland–Werke AG (Wieland). *See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews and Request for Revocation in Part*, 74 FR 19042 (April 27, 2009).

The period of review (POR) is March 1, 2008, through February 28, 2009. The preliminary results of this review are currently due no later than December 1, 2009.

Extension of Time Limits for Preliminary Results

Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires the Department to make a preliminary determination within 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of an order or finding for which a review is requested. Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act further states that if it is not practicable to complete the review within the time period specified, the administering authority may extend the 245–day period to issue its preliminary results by up to 120 days.

We determine that completion of the preliminary results of this review within the 245–day period is not practicable for the following reasons. This review requires the Department to gather and analyze a significant amount of information pertaining to the company's sales practices, manufacturing costs and corporate relationships, which is complicated due to the manner in which the inputs for making brass sheet and strip are purchased and the processes by which brass sheet and strip are sold. Furthermore, the respondent, Wieland, has proposed that the Department use an alternative cost methodology to account for the volatility in the material costs that affects our analysis and requires an examination of a significant amount of data. Given the number and complexity of issues in this case, and in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, we are extending the time period for issuing the preliminary results of review by 120 days. Therefore, the preliminary results are now due no later than March 31, 2010. The final results continue to be due 120 days after the date of publication of the preliminary results.

We are issuing and publishing this notice in accordance with sections 751(a)(3)(A) and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: November 10, 2009.

John M. Andersen,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 49–2009]

Foreign-Trade Zone 119—Minneapolis, MN; Application for Subzone SICK, Inc. (Photo-Electronic Industrial Sensors); Bloomington, MN

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Greater Metropolitan Area Foreign Trade Zone Commission (Minneapolis, Minnesota), grantee of FTZ 119, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the photo-electronic industrial sensor manufacturing facility of SICK, Inc. (SICK), located in Bloomington, Minnesota. 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 10, 2009.

The SICK facility (300 employees/55,207 sq.ft./3.2 acres) is located at 6900 West 110th Street, Bloomington (Hennepin County), Minnesota. The facility is used to manufacture and distribute photo-electronic industrial automation sensors, safety systems, and automatic identification products (classified under HTSUS 8541.40) for the U.S. market and export. At full capacity the plant can manufacture up to 50,000 units annually. Activity under FTZ procedures would include manufacturing, testing, inspection, and packaging. Components to be purchased from abroad (representing about 30% of the value of the finished sensors) would include plates/sheets/film/foil of polycarbonates, fasteners, parts of circuit breakers, and electrical conductors (duty rate range: 2.6–8.5%). The application indicates that SICK would also admit foreign-origin photo-electronic sensors and related components to the proposed subzone for domestic distribution and export.

FTZ procedures could exempt SICK from customs duty payments on the foreign components used in export production. On domestic shipments, the company would be able to elect the duty rate that applies to finished photo-electronic sensors (free) for the foreign inputs noted above. Subzone status would further allow SICK to realize logistical benefits through the use of weekly customs entry procedures. Customs duties could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign status production equipment. The application 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 following address: Office of the Executive Secretary, Room 2111, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230–0002. The closing period for receipt of comments is January 19, 2010. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to February 1, 2010.

A copy of the application will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Foreign-Trade Zones Board's Executive Secretary at the address listed above and in the ''Reading Room'' section of the Board's Web site, which is accessible via *http://www.trade.gov/ftz.*