

increases in the cost to farmers renting them for pollination services. USDA and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), in consultation with other relevant Federal partners, are scaling up efforts to address the decline of honeybee health with a goal of ensuring the recovery of this critical subset of pollinators. NASS supports this *USDA-EPA CCD National Action Plan*, which emphasizes the importance of coordinated action to identify the extent and causal factors in honeybee and pollinator declines.

To efficiently collect critical information on the status and health of the commercial honeybee population, NASS proposes two new surveys that complement its existing Bee and Honey Inquiry (0535-0153), which targets bee keepers with 5 or more colonies. The Colony Loss Quarterly Survey will be administered quarterly to a subsample of bee keepers responding to the annual Bee and Honey Inquiry. The Colony Loss Annual Survey will be administered to bee keepers with fewer than 5 colonies; these respondents will be asked to report quarterly honeybee colony losses on an annual basis. Together, these surveys will yield the number of honeybee colonies that are comparable in methodology to the Census of Agriculture counts (which is available only every 5 years). The data collected will include state of colony residence, the commercial movement of colonies between states, newly added or replacement colonies, colony losses, and presence of colony stress factors, such as pests or parasites.

The Colony Loss Surveys are strongly encouraged by beekeepers, the National Academy of Sciences, and the USDA Office of the Inspector General. This action will provide an improved baseline, annual, and quarterly data to describe any loss or change in the number of colonies and issues and practices which may be associated with colony stress and decline.

NASS is committed to collaborating with USDA and the other departments on a unified and complementary approach to develop and support the Pollinator Health Initiative. This will allow NASS and its collaborators to address critical information needs at an

accelerated pace and guide honeybee management at a national scale.

Authority: These data will be collected under the authority of 7 U.S.C. 2204(a). Individually identifiable data collected under this authority are governed by Section 1770 of the Food Security Act of 1985 as amended, 7 U.S.C. 2276, which requires USDA to afford strict confidentiality to non-aggregated data provided by respondents. This Notice is submitted in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-113) and the Office of Management and Budget regulations at 5 CFR part 1320.

NASS also complies with OMB Implementation Guidance, "Implementation Guidance for Title V of the E-Government Act, Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002 (CIPSEA)," **Federal Register**, Vol. 72, No. 115, June 15, 2007, p. 33376.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 minutes per response. Publicity materials and instruction sheet will account for 5 minutes of additional burden per respondent. Respondents who refuse to complete a survey will be allotted 2 minutes of burden per attempt to collect the data. NASS plans to conduct two different surveys as a part of this approval request. Once a year, NASS will contact approximately 20,000 small bee operations (fewer than 5 colonies). Approximately 3,300 operations with 5 or more bee colonies will be contacted quarterly to collect bee loss data. NASS will conduct the surveys initially using a mail and internet approach. This will be followed up with phone and personal enumeration for non-respondents. NASS will attempt to obtain an 80% response rate.

Respondents: Farmers and beekeepers.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 23,300.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: With an estimated response rate of approximately 80%, we estimate the burden to be 7,020 hours.

Comments: Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the

information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, technological or other forms of information technology collection methods.

All responses to this notice will become a matter of public record and be summarized in the request for OMB approval.

Signed at Washington, DC, October 15, 2014.

R. Renee Picanso,

Associate Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Economic Development Administration

Notice of Petitions by Firms for Determination of Eligibility To Apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance

AGENCY: Economic Development Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice and Opportunity for Public Comment.

Pursuant to Section 251 of the Trade Act 1974, as amended (19 U.S.C. 2341 et seq.), the Economic Development Administration (EDA) has received petitions for certification of eligibility to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance from the firms listed below. Accordingly, EDA has initiated investigations to determine whether increased imports into the United States of articles like or directly competitive with those produced by each of these firms contributed importantly to the total or partial separation of the firm's workers, or threat thereof, and to a decrease in sales or production of each petitioning firm.

LIST OF PETITIONS RECEIVED BY EDA FOR CERTIFICATION ELIGIBILITY TO APPLY FOR TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE
[10/20/2014 through 10/22/2014]

Firm name	Firm address	Date accepted for investigation	Product(s)
Kebby Industries, Inc	4075 Kilburn Avenue, Rockford, IL 61101.	10/20/2014	The firm manufactures hand tools and filters for the pharmaceutical, cosmetic, and packaging industries.

LIST OF PETITIONS RECEIVED BY EDA FOR CERTIFICATION ELIGIBILITY TO APPLY FOR TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE—
Continued

[10/20/2014 through 10/22/2014]

Firm name	Firm address	Date accepted for investigation	Product(s)
Rietech Global, LLC	3700 Singer Blvd. NE., Suite A, Albuquerque, NM 87109.	10/20/2014	The firm manufactures electro-mechanical motion control systems used for search, navigation, and surveillance.
Rio Chan Foods, LLC	2701 Broadway NE., Suite A, Albuquerque, NM 87107.	10/20/2014	The firm manufactures bread, pastry, cakes, and other bakery goods.
Precise Cast Prototypes & Engineering, Inc.	7501 Dahlia Street, Commerce City, CO 80022.	10/21/2014	The firm manufactures aluminum castings to be machined.
Lion Brothers Company, Inc	10246 Reisterstown Road, Owings Mill, PA 21117.	10/21/2014	The firm manufactures embroidered patches and emblems.
Olson Companies, Inc. dba A&B Accessories.	899 N. Centennial Avenue, West Fork, AR 72774.	10/22/2014	The firm manufactures custom spa, patio and outdoor kitchen wood accessories.
Shelley Kyle Inc	468 Armour Drive, Atlanta, GA 30324.	10/22/2014	The firm manufactures fragrances and toiletries; the primary manufacturing material is essential oil.

Any party having a substantial interest in these proceedings may request a public hearing on the matter. A written request for a hearing must be submitted to the Trade Adjustment Assistance for Firms Division, Room 71030, Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230, no later than ten (10) calendar days following publication of this notice.

Please follow the requirements set forth in EDA's regulations at 13 CFR 315.9 for procedures to request a public hearing. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance official number and title for the program under which these petitions are submitted is 11.313, Trade Adjustment Assistance for Firms.

Dated: October 22, 2014.

Michael DeVillo,
Eligibility Examiner.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B-45-2014]

Authorization of Production Activity, Foreign-Trade Subzone 158G, Southern Motion, Inc. (Upholstered Furniture), Pontotoc and Baldwin, MS

On June 20, 2014, the Greater Mississippi Foreign-Trade Zone, Inc., grantee of FTZ 158, submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board on behalf of Southern Motion, Inc., within Subzone 158G, in Pontotoc and Baldwin, Mississippi.

The notification was processed in accordance with the regulations of the

FTZ Board (15 CFR part 400), including notice in the **Federal Register** inviting public comment (79 FR 37281-37282, 7-1-2014). The FTZ Board has determined that no further review of the activity is warranted at this time. The production activity described in the notification is authorized, subject to the FTZ Act and the FTZ Board's regulations, including Section 400.14, and the following restrictions and conditions:

1. The annual volume of foreign micro-denier suede upholstery fabric finished with a caustic soda solution that may be admitted to the subzone under nonprivileged foreign status (19 CFR 146.42) is limited to 6.0 million square yards.

2. Southern Motion, Inc., must admit all foreign upholstery fabrics other than micro-denier suede upholstery fabrics finished with a caustic soda solution to the subzone under domestic (duty-paid) status (19 CFR 146.43).

3. Southern Motion, Inc., shall submit supplemental annual report data and information for the purpose of monitoring by the FTZ Staff.

4. The authority for Southern Motion, Inc., shall remain in effect for a period of five years from the date of approval by the FTZ Board.

Dated: October 20, 2014.

Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B-74-2014]

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 283—Jackson, TN, Notification of Proposed Production Activity, MAT Industries, LLC, (Air Compressors), Jackson, TN

MAT Industries, LLC (MAT), an operator of FTZ 283, submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facility located in Jackson, Tennessee within FTZ 283. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on October 14, 2014.

The MAT facility is located within Site 11 of FTZ 283. The facility is used for the production of air compressors and related tanks. Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), FTZ authority would be limited to the specific foreign-status components and specific finished products described in the submitted notification (as described below) and subsequently authorized by the FTZ Board.

Production under FTZ procedures could exempt MAT from customs duty payments on the foreign status components used in export production. On its domestic sales, MAT would be able to choose the duty rate during customs entry procedures that applies to air compressors and tanks (free) for the foreign status components noted below. Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign status production equipment.

The components sourced from abroad include: Rubber gaskets; cardboard boxes; paper cards/manuals/labels; cloth bags; plastic tubes; ceramic nozzles; cast iron fittings/washers; zinc