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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Office of the Secretary

Notice of Solicitation of Members to the National Genetic Research Advisory Council

AGENCY: Research, Education, and Economics, USDA.

ACTION: Solicitation of members.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C.A. 5843), the United States Department of Agriculture announces the solicitation for nominations to fill five vacancies on the National Genetic Resources Advisory Council (NGRAC), a subcommittee of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, Education, and Economics (NAREEE) Advisory Board.

DATES: The deadline for nominations is August 28, 2015.

ADDRESSES: The nominee’s name, resume, completed Form AD–755, and any letters of nomination or support must be submitted via one of the following methods:

(1) Email to naree@ars.usda.gov; or
(2) By mail delivery service to REE Advisory Board Office, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Room 332A, Jamie L. Whitten Building, Washington, DC 20250.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The NGRAC was established in March 1992 under Section 1634 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (P.L. 101–624). The NGRAC was re-established in 2012 as a permanent subcommittee of the NAREEE Advisory Board to formulate recommendations on actions and policies for the collection, maintenance, and utilization of genetic resources; to make recommendations for coordination of genetic resources plans of several domestic and international organizations; and to advise the Secretary of Agriculture and the National Genetic Resources Program (NGRP) Director of new and innovative approaches to genetic resources conservation.

Request for Nominations: The terms of 5 members of the NGRAC will expire on September 30, 2015. NGRAC is required to have two-thirds of the appointed members from scientific disciplines relevant to the NGRP including agricultural sciences, environmental sciences, natural resource sciences, health sciences, and nutritional sciences; and one-third of the appointed members from the general public including leaders in fields of public policy, trade, international development, law, or management. The 5 positions being filled are to be composed of 3 scientific members and 2 general public members. Nominations are for a 2-year appointment, effective October 1, 2015. All nominees will be carefully reviewed for their expertise, leadership, and relevance.

How to Submit Nominations: Any interested person or organization may nominate qualified individuals for appointment to the NGRAC. Individuals may also self-nominate. Nominations can be submitted electronically or by mail (see ADDRESSES section above). Each nominee must submit a nomination letter addressed to the Secretary of Agriculture, form AD–755 “Advisory Committee Background Information,” and their resume or Curriculum Vitae. Nomination letters should indicate whether the applicant is applying as a scientific member or a general public member. The application form and more information about advisory committees can be found at www.usda.gov/advisory_committees.xml. All nominees will be vetted before selection.

Nominations are open to all individuals without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, mental or physical handicap, marital status, or sexual orientation. To ensure the recommendations of the Advisory Board take into account the needs of the diverse groups served by the Department, membership shall include, to the extent practicable, individuals with demonstrated ability to represent all racial and ethnic groups, geographical areas, women and men, and persons with disabilities. Federally registered lobbyists may not serve on an advisory board or committee in an individual capacity. Members cannot serve on more than one USDA Federal Advisory Committee simultaneously.

Appointments to the National Genetic Research Advisory Council will be made by the Secretary of Agriculture.

Done at Washington, DC, this 4th day of August 2015.

Ann Bartuska,
Deputy Under Secretary, Research, Education, and Economics.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board [Order No. 1980]

Expanded Production Authority Not Approved; Foreign-Trade Zone 169; ASO, LLC; Subzone 169A; (Textile Fabric Adhesive Bandage Coating and Production); Sarasota, Florida

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, notice inviting public comment has been given in the Federal Register (78 FR 16314, 03–26–2013 (initial application); 79 FR 17133, 03–27–2014 (new evidence); 79 FR 32910, 06–09–2014 (new evidence)) 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 have not been satisfied (i.e., the applicant has not met the burden of proof to demonstrate that its proposal would result in a net positive economic effect and significant public benefit);

Now, therefore, the Board hereby does not approve the application requesting expanded production authority under zone procedures within Subzone 169A at the facility of ASO, LLC, located in Sarasota, Florida, as described in the application and Federal Register notice.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 31st day of July 2015.

Ronald K. Lorentzen,
Acting Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Enforcement and Compliance, Alternate Chairman, Foreign-Trade Zones Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B–47–2015]

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 46—Cincinnati, Ohio; Notification of Proposed Production Activity, Festo Corporation (Pneumatic/Electric Cylinders and Drives, Valve Manifolds, Electronic Control Systems), Mason, Ohio

Festo Corporation (Festo), an operator of FTZ 46, submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facility located in Mason, Ohio. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on July 22, 2015. The Festo facility is located within Site 9 of FTZ 46. The facility is used for the production of pneumatic and electronic cylinders and drives, valve manifolds, and electronic control systems used for industrial automation applications. 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 Festo from customs duty payments on the foreign status components used in export production. On its domestic sales, Festo would be able to choose the duty rate during customs entry procedures that applies to pneumatic and electric cylinders and drives, valve manifolds, and electronic control systems (duty rates ranges from free to 2.7%) 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: Light oils/hydrocarbon mixtures; greases; aluminum oxides; petroleum lubricants; adhesives; pastes; epoxies; Loctite; Scotch Weld; Thermaglue; Araldite; simson; heat transfer pastes; polymer adhesives; polyacetal; acrylic and plastic rods/sticks/profiles shapes; plastic pipes/hoses (and with fittings)/tubes/tees/bends/curvatures/connections; plastic adhesive tape/foil/strip/labels/stickers/films/sheets/covers/packages/packing; bims/lids/cases/containers/bags/sacks/caps/covers; handles/knobs/o-rings/washers/belts/fasteners; polyvinyl chloride plates/sheets/film/foil/strip; rubber rods/tubes/profiles/sheets/plates/pipes/hoses/hose sets/conveyor belts/gaskets/seals/o-rings/stops/rings/discs/plugs; cases; plywood; cardboard cartons/boxes/cases/containers; paper tape/labels/stickers/manuals/printed materials/posters; felt (HTSUS Subheading 5602.21); transmission/conveyor belts; glass containers; stainless steel strips/coils/bars/rods; steel tubes/pipes/profiles/bars/rods/pipe fittings/sleeves/ elbows/ unions/bends/rings/grommets/gaskets/connectors/couplings/adapters/bushing/ nipples/elbows/plugs/ferrules/flanges/bellows/inserts/glands/containers/grills/netting/lencing/stops/caps/dowels/pins/leaf springs/plug seals/ ring seals/straps/ extensions; steel fasteners (screws, cotters and pins, washers, spacers, rivets, bolts, studs, nuts, inserts); copper nipples/couplings/ unions/sleeves/bansjos/plugs/adapters/pillars/wires/bushings; copper fasteners (rivets, cotters, cotter pins, nuts, bolts, screws, plug screws); aluminum-aluminum alloy profiles/strips/sheets/ plates/tubes/unions/adapters/flanges/bansjos/containers for liquefied or compressed gases/couplings/bushings/couplings/spacers/washers/rings/sleeves/supports/gaskets/brackets/mountings/connectors/fittings/branch modules/ring pieces/sub-bases); aluminum fasteners (screws, rivets, pins, nuts; nickel fittings); castors; latches; adjustor knobs; rails; handles; base plates/tees/belts/tees/ unions; identification plates: hydraulic engines and motors; pneumatic engines/