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.
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, 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.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 38—Spartanburg County, South Carolina; Notification of Proposed Production Activity; Black & Decker (U.S.) Inc.; Subzone 38E, (Power Tools), Fort Mill, South Carolina

Black & Decker (U.S.) Inc. (Black & Decker) submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facility in Fort Mill, South Carolina, within Subzone 38E. The notification conforms to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on December 15, 2016. Black & Decker already has authority to produce power tools and their parts and components, the packaging and kitting of power tools, and the repair and rework of power tools, parts and accessories within Subzone 38E. The current request would add finished products and foreign-status materials/components to the scope of authority. Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), additional FTZ authority would be limited to the specific foreign-status materials/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 Black & Decker from customs duties on foreign-status materials/components used in export production. On its domestic sales, Black and Decker would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to: tube expander tools; pavement breakers; crimping tools; cable cutters; caulking guns; grease guns; sink augers—cordless; drain snakes; impact wrenches; anvil subassemblies; front end mechanisms/subassemblies; nose cone subassemblies; housing subassemblies; transmission assemblies for power tools; electronic control and motor subassemblies; bulk packed motors; lasers; and, laser detectors (duty rates range from free to 3.3%).

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the FTZ Board’s Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is February 7, 2017. The 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 FTZ 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,
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration


AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) is initiating a new shipper review (NSR) with respect to Qingdao JOINseafoods Co. Ltd. and Join