The U.S. Census Bureau plans to conduct the 2018 through 2020 Annual Capital Expenditures Survey (ACES). This survey collects data on fixed assets and depreciation, sales and receipts, capitalized computer software, and capital expenditures for new and used structures and equipment. The ACES is the sole source of detailed comprehensive statistics on actual business spending for private non-farm companies, organizations, and associations operating in the United States. Both employer and nonemployer companies are included in the survey. The Bureau of Economic Analysis is the primary Federal user of ACES data. BEA relies on ACES data to refine and evaluate annual estimates of investment in structures and equipment in the national income and product accounts, compile annual input-output tables, and compute gross domestic product by industry. The Federal Reserve Board uses these data to improve estimates of investment indicators for monetary policy. The Bureau of Labor Statistics uses these data to improve estimates of capital stocks for productivity analysis. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services use these data for developing estimates of investment in private health care structures and equipment as a part of the National Health Expenditure Accounts. Industry analysts use these data for market analysis, economic forecasting, identifying business opportunities, product development, and business planning.

Planned changes from the previous ACES are the elimination of detailed capital expenditures by type of structure and type of equipment. These data are collected in years ending in -2 and -7, concurrently with the Economic Census. They are not in scope of this notice, which covers ACES data collection for 2018 through 2020.

The Census Bureau does plan to add questions on the dollar value of new and used robotics expenditures beginning with the 2018 survey. These questions will gauge prevalence of robotics use by detail North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) industries.

II. Method of Collection

The initial mailing will include a letter instructing respondents to report online. The Census Bureau eliminated the use of paper forms with the 2016 ACES. The electronic reporting system provides a cost-effective and user-friendly method to collect data from companies. The Census Bureau will supply companies with a unique authentication code for the electronic reporting tool. Respondents will have the option of printing out a worksheet that lists all of the questions.

Respondents will be able to print the worksheet to use as a guide to respond or can print the worksheet after completing the questionnaire as a record of their response. The online reporting instrument is tailored to the company’s diversity of operations and number of industries with payroll. Employer companies will complete the ACE–1 electronic reporting instrument and nonemployers will complete the ACE–2 electronic reporting instrument.

Companies will be asked to respond to the survey within 30 days of the initial mailing. The Census Bureau will use reminder letters and/or telephone calls to encourage participation of companies that have not responded within 30 days.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0607–0782.
Form Number: ACE–1 and ACE–2.
Type of Review: Regular submission.
Affected Public: Private, non-farm businesses or other for-profit organizations; non-profit institutions.
Estimated Number of Respondents: Approximately 70,127 (50,127 employer companies, and 20,000 nonemployer businesses).
Estimated Time per Response: The average for all respondents is 2.27 hours. For employer companies completing form ACE–1, the range is 2 to 17 hours, averaging 2.78 hours. For companies completing form ACE–2, the range is less than 1 hour to 2 hours, averaging 1 hour.
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 159,134 hours.
Estimated Total Annual Cost: $0.
(This is not the cost of respondents’ time, but the indirect costs respondents may incur for such things as purchases of specialized software or hardware needed to report, or expenditures for accounting or records maintenance services required specifically by the collection.)
Respondents’ Obligation: Mandatory.
Legal Authority: Title 13 United States Code, Sections 131 and 182.

IV. Request for 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 shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the
proposed collection of information; (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 respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Sheleen Dumas,
Departmental Lead PRA Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Public Hearing on Section 232 National Security Investigation of Imports of Automobiles, Including Cars, SUVs, Vans and Light Trucks, and Automotive Parts; Change of Date for the Public Hearing

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Change of date for public hearing.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce is cancelling one of the days of the two-day public hearing associated with the notice of request for public comments and public hearing that appeared in the Federal Register on May 30, 2018. In the notice, the Department encouraged interested public participants to participate in a hearing for the investigation assist the Department in determining whether imports of automobiles, including cars, SUVs, vans and light trucks, and automotive parts threaten to impair the national security and in recommending remedies if such a threat is found to exist. The hearing was originally scheduled for July 19 and 20. Only 45 requests to testify were received. Because these requests can all be accommodated on a single day, the second day of the hearing originally scheduled for July 20, 2018 is cancelled.

The hearing will be held on July 19 only and will take place from 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. The location of the hearing remains unchanged at the Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington DC, 20230.

Procedures for Attending the Hearing

The hearing is open to the general public and seating is on a first-come-first-served basis. We anticipate a high volume of interest and encourage all members of public wishing to attend, to arrive early and be prepared to go through a security screening. You must present a valid form of identification such as a driver’s license, passport, or state issued ID.

The main entrance of the Department of Commerce is on 14th Street NW, between Pennsylvania Avenue and Constitution Avenue, across from the Ronald Reagan Building. Upon entering the building, please go through security and check in at the guard’s desk. DOC staff will meet and escort visitors to the auditorium.

Non-U.S. Citizens Please Note: All foreign national visitors who do not have permanent resident status and who wish to attend the hearing must contact Autos232@doc.gov by 12 p.m., July 16. You will then be asked to provide additional information. Please also bring a copy of your passport on the day of the hearing to serve as identification. Failure to provide the requested information prior to arrival will result, at a minimum, in significant delays in entering the facility.

Dated: July 11, 2018.
Earl Comstock,
Director, Office of Policy and Strategic Planning, U.S. Department of Commerce.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[5–71–2018]

Approval of Subzone Status; VF Outdoor, LLC; Ontario, Santa Fe Springs and Corona, California

On May 9, 2018, the Executive Secretary of the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board docketed an application submitted by the Port of Long Beach, grantee of FTZ 50, requesting subzone status subject to the existing activation limit of FTZ 50, on behalf of VF Outdoor, LLC, in Ontario, Santa Fe Springs and Corona, California.

The application was processed in accordance with the FTZ Act and Regulations, including notice in the Federal Register inviting public comment (83 FR 22441, May 15, 2018). The FTZ staff examiner reviewed the application and determined that it meets the criteria for approval. Pursuant to the authority delegated to the FTZ Board Executive Secretary (15 CFR Sec. 400.36(f)), the application to establish Subzone 50R was approved on July 10, 2018, subject to the FTZ Act and the Board’s regulations, including Section 400.13, and further subject to FTZ 50’s 2,000-acre activation limit.

Dated: July 10, 2018.

Elizabeth Whiteman,
Acting Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[6–8–920]


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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that Fushun Jinly Petrochemical Carbon Co., Ltd. (Fushun Jinly) did not make sales of