The application to expand FTZ 281 under the ASF is approved, subject to the FTZ Act and the Board’s regulations, including Section 400.13, and to the Board’s standard 2,000-acre activation limit for the zone.

Gary Taverman,
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations, performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, Alternate Chairman, Foreign-Trade Zones Board.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Foreign-Trade Zones Board

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 23—Buffalo, New York; Notification of Proposed Production Activity; Panasonic Eco Solutions Solar New York America Subzone 23E (Solar Panels/Modules); Buffalo, New York

Panasonic Eco Solutions Solar New York America (PESSNY) submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facility in Buffalo, New York. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on February 5, 2018.

The PESSNY facility is located within Subzone 23E. The facility is used for the production of crystalline silicon photovoltaic (CSPV) solar panels/components. Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), FTZ activity would be limited to the specific foreign-status materials and 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 PESSNY from customs duty payments on the foreign-status components used in export production. On its domestic sales, for the foreign-status materials/components noted below, PESSNY would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to CSPV solar panels/modules (duty free), PESSNY would be able to avoid duty on foreign-status components which become scrap/waste. Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign-status production equipment.

The components and materials sourced from abroad include: Silicone sealant/cement; ethylene vinyl acetate film/resin sheets; polyolefin base plastic film/resin sheets; plastic polymer rolls of film; polypropylene corner protectors; low iron glass; copper connection tabs; nickel standard conductive film; tin/silver/copper alloy soldering wire; plastic junction boxes; silver-plated copper ribbon; resin-laminated, silver-plated copper ribbon/tabs; polyester tape; silver paste; and silicon wafers. (duty rates range from duty free to 5.8%).

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the Board’s Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is March 26, 2018.

A 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 Board’s website, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

For further information, contact Diane Finver at Diane.Finver@trade.gov or (202) 482–1367.

Dated: February 8, 2018.
Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Foreign-Trade Zones Board

Approval of Subzone Status; Ackerman North America LLC/dba Amann USA; Broomfield, Colorado

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, the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Act provides for “. . . the establishment . . . of foreign-trade zones in ports of entry of the United States, to expedite and encourage foreign commerce, and for other purposes,” and authorizes the Foreign-Trade Zones Board to grant to qualified corporations the privilege of establishing foreign-trade zones in or adjacent to U.S. Customs and Border Protection ports of entry;
Whereas, the Board’s regulations (15 CFR, part 400) provide for the establishment of subzones for specific uses;

WHEREAS, the City and County of Denver, Colorado, grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 123, has made application to the Board for the establishment of a subzone at the facility of Ackerman North America LLC/dba Amann USA, located in Broomfield, Colorado (FTZ Docket B–60–2017, docketed September 26, 2017);

WHEREAS, notice inviting public comment has been given in the Federal Register (82 FR 45807, October 2, 2017) 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 memorandum, and finds that the requirements of the FTZ Act and the Board’s regulations are satisfied;
Now, Therefore, the Board hereby approves subzone status at the facility of Ackerman North America LLC/dba Amann USA, located in Broomfield, Colorado (Subzone 123H), as described in the application and Federal Register notice, subject to the FTZ Act and the Board’s regulations, including Section 400.13.

Gary Taverman,
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations, performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, Alternate Chairman, Foreign-Trade Zones Board.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Foreign-Trade Zones Board

Approval of Subzone Status; Vision Technologies Marine, Inc.; (Ocean-Going Vessels); Pascagoula, Mississippi

On October 10, 2017, the Mississippi Coast Foreign-Trade Zone, Inc., grantee of FTZ 92, submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board on behalf of Vision Technologies Marine, Inc., within Site 6, in Pascagoula, 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 (82 FR 49177, October 24, 2017). On February 7, 2018, the applicant was notified of the FTZ Board’s decision that no further review of the activity is warranted at this time.