

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,600.

Estimated Time Per Response: 74 hours is the average, but may vary according to the number, size, and complexity of the businesses covered by the response.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 118,400 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$3,552,000 (based on an estimated reporting burden of 118,400 hours and an estimated hourly cost of \$30).

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 has 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.

Dated: March 18, 2003.

Madeleine Clayton,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Economic Analysis

Proposal To Collect Information on Direct Transactions of U.S. Reporter With Foreign Affiliate

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before May 23, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230, or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov, ((202) 482-0266).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Direct requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instruments and instructions to Obie G. Whichard, Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, BE-50(OC), Washington, DC 20230, or via the Internet at obie.whichard@bea.gov, ((202) 606-9890).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

Form BE-577, Direct Transactions of U.S. Reporter with Foreign Affiliate, obtains quarterly data on transactions and positions between U.S.-owned foreign business enterprises and their U.S. parent companies. The survey is a cut-off sample survey that covers all foreign affiliates above a size-exemption level. The sample data are used to derive universe estimates in nonbenchmark years by extrapolating forward similar data reported in the BE-10, Benchmark Survey of U.S. Direct Investment Abroad, which is taken every five years. The data are used in the preparation of the U.S. international transactions accounts, the input-output accounts, and the national income and product accounts. The data are needed to measure the size and economic significance of direct investment abroad, measure changes in such investment, and assess its impact on the U.S. and foreign economies.

The data from the survey are primarily intended as general purpose statistics. They should be readily available to answer any number of research and policy questions related to U.S. direct investment abroad.

The form remains the same as in the past. No changes in data collected, or exemption levels are proposed.

II. Method of Collection

Survey forms will be sent to U.S. parent companies each quarter; responses will be due within 30 days after the close of each fiscal quarter, except for the final quarter of the fiscal year, when reports should be filed within 45 days. A report must be filed for every foreign business enterprise whose voting stock (or the equivalent) is

owned 10 percent or more by a U.S. business enterprise and for which any one of the following three items was greater than \$30 million (positive or negative) at the end of, or for, the foreign business enterprise's fiscal year: (1) Total assets, (2) sales or gross operating revenues excluding sales taxes, or (3) net income after provision for foreign income taxes.

Potential respondents are the U.S.-owned foreign business enterprises that were reported in the last benchmark survey of U.S. direct investment abroad, which covered the year 1999, along with the foreign business enterprises that subsequently entered the direct investment universe. The data collected are cut-off sample data. Universe estimates are developed from the reported sample data.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0608-0004.

Form Number: BE-577.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 13,500 per quarter; 54,000 annually.

Estimated Time Per Response: 1.25 hours is the average, but may vary according to the number, size, and complexity of the businesses covered by the response.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 67,500 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$2,025,000 (based on an estimated reporting burden of 67,500 hours and an estimated hourly cost of \$30).

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 has 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.

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Dated: March 18, 2003.

Madeleine Clayton,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 16-2003]

Foreign-Trade Zone 31—Granite City, IL, Area; Application for Expansion

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board (the Board), by the Tri-City Regional Port District, grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 31, requesting authority to expand its zone in the Granite City, Illinois, area, within/adjacent to the St. Louis, Missouri, Customs port of entry. The application was submitted pursuant to the provisions of the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), and the regulations of the Board (15 CFR part 400). It was formally filed on March 14, 2003.

FTZ 31 was approved on September 6, 1977 (Board Order 122, 42 FR 46568, 9/16/77) and expanded on January 16, 1985 (Board Order 289, 50 FR 3371, 1/24/85). The zone project currently consists of the following sites in the Granite City area: *Site 1* (47 acres, 2 parcels)—Tri-City Regional Port complex, 2801 Rock Road, Granite City; *Site 2* (90,000 sq. ft.)—1603 State Street, Granite City; *Site 3* (209,000 sq. ft.)—warehouse facility at 1100 Niedringhaus Avenue, Granite City; and, *Site 4* (122,600 sq. ft.) with 47,600 sq. ft. located at 2000 Access Road and 75,000 sq. ft. located at 1000 Access Road, Madison.

The applicant is now requesting authority to expand the general-purpose zone to include three new sites in Madison County, Granite City and St. Clair County, Illinois: *Proposed Site 5* (2,254 acres)—Gateway Commerce Center, intersection of 270 and Interstate 255, Madison County, IL; *Proposed Site 6* (458 acres)—River's Edge Industrial Park (part of the former U.S. Army Charles Melvin Price Support Center), 1635 West First Street, Granite City, IL; and, *Proposed Site 7* (3,851 acres)—MidAmerica Airport, adjacent to the Scott Air Force Base at the intersection of Interstate 64 and Route 4, St. Clair County, IL. The majority of Proposed Site 5 is owned by TriSTAR Business Communities or its affiliates. Proposed Site 6 is owned by the applicant and is a partially developed industrial park that is being converted from military use

to commercial use. Proposed Site 7 is owned and operated by St. Clair County. This action will also formally delete Site 2 from the zone plan. No specific manufacturing requests are being made at this time. Such requests would be made to the Board on a case-by-case basis.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, a member of the FTZ Staff has been designated examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment on the application is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at one of the following addresses:

1. Submissions via Express/Package Delivery Services: Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, Franklin Court Building—Suite 4100W, 1099-14th St. NW., Washington, DC 20005; or

2. Submissions via the U.S. Postal Service: Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, FCB—Suite 4100W, 1401 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20230.

The closing period for their receipt is May 23, 2003. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to June 9, 2003).

A copy of the application and accompanying exhibits will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Foreign-Trade Zones Board's Executive Secretary at the first address listed above, and at the Offices of the Tri-City Regional Port District, 1635 W. First Street, Granite City, Illinois 62040-1838.

Dated: March 14, 2003.

Dennis Puccinelli,

Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 39-2002, 40-2002, 41-2002, 42-2002, 43-2002, 44-2002, 45-2002, 46-2002, 47-2002, and 48-2002]

Flint Ink North America Corporation—Applications For Foreign-Trade Subzone Status; Extension of Comment Period

The comment periods for the cases referenced above (67 FR 64088-64096, October 17, 2002) are being extended again, to July 7, 2003, at the request of the applicant, which will allow

interested parties additional time in which to comment on the proposals. These ten related cases involve pending subzone applications from the following Foreign-Trade Zones:

Foreign-Trade Zone 143—Sacramento, California

Foreign-Trade Zone 170—Indianapolis, Indiana

Foreign-Trade Zone 182—Fort Wayne, Indiana

Foreign-Trade Zone 29—Louisville, Kentucky

Foreign-Trade Zone 47—Boone County, Kentucky

Foreign-Trade Zone 189—Kent-Ottawa-Muskegon Counties, Michigan

Foreign-Trade Zone 46—Cincinnati, Ohio

Foreign-Trade Zone 105—Providence, Rhode Island

Foreign-Trade Zone 21—Charleston, South Carolina

Foreign-Trade Zone 185—Culpeper, Virginia

Comments in writing are invited during this period. Submissions should include 3 copies. Material submitted will be available at: Foreign-Trade-Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, Franklin Court Building—Suite 4100W, 1099 14th St. NW., Washington, DC 20005.

Dated: March 14, 2003.

Dennis Puccinelli,

Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

Export License Services—Transfer of License Ownership, Requests for a Duplicate License

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before May 23, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, DOC Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, Room 6625,