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Dated: April 10, 2007.

Jackie J. Gleason,

Administrator, Rural Business-Cooperative Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of the Census

2010 Census Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of the Census (U.S. Census Bureau) is giving notice of a meeting of the 2010 Census Advisory Committee. Committee members will address policy, research, and technical issues related to the 2010 Decennial Census Program. Working groups will be convened to assist in planning efforts for the 2010 Census and the American Community Survey. Last-minute adjustments to the agenda are possible, which could prevent giving advance notification of schedule changes.

DATES: May 17-18, 2007. On May 17, the meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at approximately 5:15 p.m. On Friday, May 18, 2007, the meeting will begin at 9 a.m. and end at approximately 12 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the U.S. Census Bureau, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Suitland, Maryland 20746.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Jeri Green, Committee Liaison Officer, U.S. Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau, Room 8H153, Washington, DC 20233, telephone (301) 763-2070, TTY (301) 457-2540.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The 2010 Census Advisory Committee is composed of a Chair, Vice-Chair, and 20 member organizations—all appointed by the Secretary of Commerce. The

Committee considers the goals of the decennial census, including the American Community Survey and related programs, and users' needs for information provided by the decennial census from the perspective of outside data users and other organizations having a substantial interest and expertise in the conduct and outcome of the decennial census. The Committee has been established in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Title 5, United States Code, Appendix 2, Section 10(a)(b)).

A brief period will be set aside at the meeting for public comment. However, individuals with extensive statements for the record must submit them in writing to the Census Bureau Committee Liaison Officer named above at least three working days prior to the meeting. Seating is available to the public on a first-come, first-served basis.

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to the Census Bureau Committee Liaison Officer as soon as known, and preferably two weeks prior to the meeting.

Dated: April 11, 2007.

Charles Louis Kincannon,

Director, Bureau of the Census.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Economic Analysis

Proposed Data Sharing Activity

AGENCY: Bureau of Economic Analysis, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of determination.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) will provide to the Bureau of the Census (Census Bureau) data collected from several surveys that it conducts on U.S. direct investment abroad, foreign direct investment in the United States, and U.S. international services transactions for statistical purposes exclusively. In accordance with the requirement of Section 524(d) of the Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002 (CIPSEA), we provided the opportunity for public comment on this data-sharing action (see the January 23, 2007 edition of the **Federal Register** (72 FR 2854)).

The data provided to Census Bureau will be used for two purposes:

(1) Data from BEA surveys of U.S. direct investment abroad and foreign

direct investment in the United States will be linked with data from the Survey of Industrial Research and Development conducted by the Census Bureau under a joint partnership agreement with the National Science Foundation (NSF). The linked data will be used to produce aggregate tabulations for the NSF, which will provide an integrated data set on R&D performance and funding with domestic and foreign ownership detail. BEA will use the linked data to augment its existing R&D-related data, identify data quality issues arising from reporting differences in BEA and Census Bureau surveys, and improve its survey sample frames. The Census Bureau will identify unmatched companies on BEA files that conduct R&D activities and add them to the R&D survey to improve the survey's sample. The NSF will be provided non-confidential aggregate data (public use) and reports that have cleared BEA and Census Bureau disclosure review. Disclosure review is a process conducted to verify that the data to be released do not reveal any confidential information.

(2) BEA will also provide data to the Census Bureau in order to link records from its surveys of U.S. international services transactions, U.S. direct investment abroad, and foreign direct investment in the United States with information from the Census Bureau's Business Register and with data from the 2002 Economic Census. This linked information will be used by the BEA to evaluate the feasibility of developing state-level estimates of service exports.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information on this program should be directed to Ned G. Howenstine, Chief, Research Branch, International Investment Division, Bureau of Economic Analysis (BE-50), Washington, DC 20230, by phone (202) 606-9845 or by fax (202) 606-5318.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

CIPSEA (Pub. L. 107-347, Title V) and the International Investment and Trade in Services Survey Act (Pub. L. 94-472, 22 United States Code (U.S.C.) 3101-3108) allow BEA and the Census Bureau to share certain business data for exclusively statistical purposes. Section 524(d) of the CIPSEA required a **Federal Register** notice announcing the intent to share data (allowing 60 days for public comment). Section 524(d) also required us to provide information about the terms of the agreement for data sharing.

On January 23, 2007 (72 FR 2854), BEA published in the **Federal Register** a notice of this proposed data-sharing activity and request for comment on the

subject. BEA did not receive any public comments.

Shared Data

BEA will provide the Census Bureau with data from its surveys of U.S. direct investment abroad, foreign direct investment in the United States, and U.S. international services transactions. It is anticipated that the Census Bureau will share data collected from the Survey of Industrial Research and Development, the 2002 Economic Census, and its Business Register with BEA. The Census Bureau will issue a separate notice addressing this issue. The shared BEA and Census Bureau data will be used for statistical purposes only.

Statistical Purposes for the Shared Data

Data collected in BEA's surveys of direct investment are used to develop estimates of the financing and operations of U.S. parent companies, their foreign affiliates, and U.S. affiliates of foreign companies, and estimates of transactions and positions between parents and affiliates. Data collected in BEA's surveys of U.S. international services transactions are used to develop estimates of services transactions between U.S. persons (in a broad legal sense, including companies) and foreign persons. These estimates are published in the *Survey of Current Business*, BEA's monthly journal; in other BEA publications; and on BEA's Web site at <http://www.bea.gov/>. All data are collected under sections 3101–3108, of Title 22, U.S.C.

The data sets created by linking these data with the data from the above-designated Census Bureau surveys and Business Register will be used for several exclusively statistical purposes by both agencies, such as for evaluating the feasibility of developing state-level estimates of U.S. services exports, and producing aggregate tabulations of data for the NSF that augment and improve information on international aspects of R&D performance, funding, and related economic activity.

Data Access and Confidentiality

Title 22, U.S.C. 3104 protects the confidentiality of the data to be provided by BEA to the Census Bureau. The data may be seen only by persons sworn to uphold the confidentiality of the information. Access to the shared data will be restricted to specifically authorized personnel and will be provided for statistical purposes only. Any results of this research are subject to BEA disclosure protection. All Census Bureau employees with access to these data will become BEA Special

Sworn Employees—meaning that they, under penalty of law, must uphold the data's confidentiality. Selected NSF employees will provide BEA with expertise on various aspects of R&D performance and funding of companies that provide data to BEA. These NSF consultants assisting with the work at the BEA also will become BEA Special Sworn Employees. No confidential data will be provided to the NSF.

Rosemary D. Marcuss,

Acting Director, Bureau of Economic Analysis.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign–Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 1502]

Grant of Authority, Establishment of a Foreign–Trade Zone, Counties of Lehigh and Northampton, Pennsylvania

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 adopts the following Order:

WHEREAS, the Foreign–Trade Zones 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 Lehigh Valley Economic Development Corporation (the Grantee), a Pennsylvania non-profit agency, has made application to the Board (FTZ Docket 30–2006, filed 7/18/06), requesting the establishment of a foreign–trade zone at sites in Lehigh and Northampton Counties, Pennsylvania, adjacent to the Lehigh Valley Customs and Border Protection port of entry;

WHEREAS, notice inviting public comment has been given in the **Federal Register** (71 FR 42800, 7/28/06), and the application was amended on September 25, 2006 (71 FR 59072, 10/6/06);

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 are satisfied, and that approval of the application, as amended, is in the public interest;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board hereby grants to the Grantee the privilege of establishing a foreign–trade zone,

designated on the records of the Board as Foreign–Trade Zone No. 272, at the sites described in the application, as amended, and subject to the Act and the Board's regulations, including Section 400.28.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 5th day of April 2007.

FOREIGN–TRADE ZONES BOARD

Carlos M. Gutierrez,

Secretary of Commerce, Chairman and Executive Officer.

Attest:

Andrew McGilvray,

Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

Deemed Export Advisory Committee; Notice of Partially Closed Meeting

The Deemed Export Advisory Committee (DEAC) will meet in an open session on Wednesday, May 2, 2007 from 8 a.m.–12 p.m. at The Georgia Institute of Technology, Georgia Tech Research Institute Conference Center, 250 14th St., Atlanta, GA 30318. A map and directions to the Georgia Tech Research Institute Conference Center can be found at the following Web site: <http://www.gtri.gatech.edu/visitorinfo/gtriconfdriving.html>. The open session will also be webcast live from the Georgia Tech Research Institute Conference Center. For more information, please consult <http://www.export.gatech.edu> in the days prior to the meeting.

The DEAC is a Federal Advisory Committee established in accordance with the requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 5 U.S.C. app. 2. It advises the Secretary of Commerce on deemed export licensing policy. A tentative agenda of topics for discussion is listed below. While these topics will likely be discussed, this list is not exhaustive and there may be discussion of other related items during the public session.

May 2, 2007

Public Session

1. Introductory Remarks.
2. Current Deemed Export Control Policy Issues.
3. Technology Transfer Issues.
4. U.S. Industry Competitiveness.
5. U.S. Academic and Government Research Communities.
6. Industry, Academia and other Stakeholder Comments.