

to the Federal Economic Scientific Advisory Committee. The Secretary will consider nominations received in response to this notice, as well as from other sources. The **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice provides committee and membership criteria.

**DATES:** Please submit nominations by October 9, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Please submit nominations to B.K. Atrostic, Designated Federal Official for Federal Economic Statistics Advisory Committee, U.S. Census Bureau, Room 2K267, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Washington, DC 20233. Nominations also may be submitted via fax at 301-763-5935, or by email to [barbara.kathryn.atrostic@census.gov](mailto:barbara.kathryn.atrostic@census.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** B.K. Atrostic, Designated Federal Official for Federal Economic Statistics Advisory Committee, U.S. Census Bureau, Room 2K267, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Washington, DC 20233., telephone (301) 763-6442.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Committee was established in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (as amended, Title 5, United States Code, Appendix 2). The following provides information about the committee, membership, and the nomination process:

#### Objective and Duties

1. The Federal Economic Statistics Advisory Committee (the "Committee") is administratively housed at the Economics and Statistics Administration (ESA), U.S. Department of Commerce. The Committee advises Directors of ESA's two statistical agencies, the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) and the Census Bureau (Census), and the Commissioner of the Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) ("the agencies") on statistical methodology and other technical matters related to the collection, tabulation, and analysis of federal economic statistics.

2. The Committee functions solely as an advisory committee to the senior officials of BEA, Census and BLS in consultation with the Committee chairperson.

3. Important aspects of the Committee's responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

a. Recommending research to address important technical problems arising in federal economic statistics.

b. Identifying areas in which better coordination of the agencies' activities would be beneficial.

c. Establishing relationships with professional associations with an interest in federal economic statistics.

d. Coordinating, in its identification of agenda items, with other existing academic advisory committees chartered to provide agency-specific advice, for the purpose of avoiding duplication of effort.

4. The Committee reports to the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs who, as head of ESA, coordinates and collaborates with the agencies.

#### Membership

1. The Committee consists of approximately fourteen members who serve at the pleasure of the Secretary of Commerce.

2. Members are nominated by the Department of Commerce, in consultation with the agencies, under the coordination of the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs, and appointed by the Secretary.

3. Committee members are economists, statisticians, survey methodologists, and behavioral scientists, and are chosen to achieve a balanced membership across those disciplines.

4. Members shall be prominent experts in their fields, and recognized for their scientific and professional achievements and objectivity.

a. Members serve as Special Government Employees (SGEs) and are subject to ethics rules applicable to SGEs.

b. Members serve three-year terms. Members may be reappointed to any number of additional three-year terms.

c. Should a committee member be unable to complete a three-year term, a new member may be selected to complete that term for the duration of the time remaining or begin a new term of three years.

d. The agencies, by consensus agreement, shall appoint the chairperson annually from the committee membership. Chairpersons shall be permitted to succeed themselves.

#### Miscellaneous

1. Members of the Committee will not be compensated for their services, but will be reimbursed for travel expenses upon request.

2. The Committee meets approximately twice a year, budget permitting. Special meetings may be called when appropriate.

#### Nomination Information

1. Nominations are requested as described above.

2. Nominees must be economists, statisticians, survey methodologists, and

behavioral scientists and will be chosen to achieve a balanced membership across those disciplines. Nominees must be prominent experts in their fields, and recognized for their scientific and professional achievements and objectivity. Such knowledge and expertise are needed to advise the agencies on statistical methodology and other technical matters related to the collection, tabulation, and analysis of federal economic statistics.

3. Individuals, groups, and/or organizations may submit nominations on behalf of an individual candidate. A summary of the candidate's qualifications (résumé or curriculum vitae) must be included along with the nomination letter. Nominees must be able to actively participate in the tasks of the Committee, including, but not limited to regular meeting attendance, committee meeting discussion responsibilities, and review of materials, as well as participation in conference calls, webinars, working groups, and special committee activities.

4. The Department of Commerce is committed to equal opportunity in the workplace and seeks diverse Committee membership.

Dated: August 30, 2012.

**Thomas L. Mesenbourg, Jr.,**

*Acting Director, Bureau of the Census.*

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## 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 of 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.

LIST OF PETITIONS RECEIVED BY EDA FOR CERTIFICATION ELIGIBILITY TO APPLY FOR TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE  
[08/07/2012 through 08/31/2012]

Firm name	Firm address	Date accepted for investigation	Product(s)
Amrak Enterprises .....	3515 Airway Drive, Suite 206, Reno, NV 89511-1850.	8/22/2012	The firm manufactures valve components and other machined components and sub-assemblies.
Anderson Cooper and Brass Company, LLC d/b/a Anderson Fittings.	4325 Frontage Road, Oak Forest, IL 60452.	8/27/2012	The firm manufactures brass fittings, connectors, valves and adapters for the trucking, natural gas, and plumbing industries.
Peak Industries, Inc. d/b/a Conestoga Log Cabins & Homes.	246 North Lincoln Avenue, Lebanon, PA 17046.	8/31/2012	The firm manufactures log cabin kits for campgrounds, parks, and others as well as custom log homes.

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 7106, Economic Development Administration, U.S. 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.

Dated: August 31, 2012.

**Miriam Kearse,**

*Eligibility Examiner, TAA for Firms.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Economic Development Administration

#### Meeting of the National Advisory Council on Innovation and Entrepreneurship

**AGENCY:** Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of an open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The National Advisory Council on Innovation and Entrepreneurship will hold a meeting on Tuesday, September 11, 2012. The open meeting will be held from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and will be open to the public via conference call. The meeting will take place at the U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230. The Council was chartered on November 10, 2009 to advise the Secretary of Commerce on matter related to innovation and entrepreneurship in the United States.

**DATES:** September 11, 2012.

*Time:* 10 a.m.-2 p.m. (EST).

**ADDRESSES:** U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230. Please specify if any specific requests for participation two business days in advance. Last minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to complete.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the latest initiatives by the Administration and the Secretary of Commerce on the issues of innovation, entrepreneurship and commercialization. The meeting will also discuss efforts by the U.S. Department of Commerce around manufacturing, exports and investment. Specific topics for discussion include manufacturing, investment, exports, innovation commercialization, entrepreneurship, federal programs for commercialization and technology transfer. The final agenda will be posted on the U.S. Department of Commerce Web site at [www.commerce.gov](http://www.commerce.gov). Any member of the public may submit pertinent questions and comments concerning the Council's affairs at any time before or after the meeting. Comments may be submitted to the Office of Innovation and Entrepreneurship at the contact information below. Copies of the meeting minutes will be available within 90 days.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nish Acharya, Office of Innovation and Entrepreneurship, Room 7019, 1401 Constitution Avenue, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: 202-482-4068; fax: 202-273-4781. Please reference "NACIE September 11, 2012" in the subject line of your fax.

Dated: August 30, 2012.

**Nish Acharya,**

*Director, Office of Innovation & Entrepreneurship, U.S. Department of Commerce.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B-34-2012]

#### Foreign-Trade Zone 45—Portland, OR, Authorization of Production Activity, Shimadzu USA Manufacturing, Inc., (Analytical Instruments—Liquid Chromatographs and Mass Spectrometer Production), Canby, OR

The Port of Portland, grantee of FTZ 45, submitted a notification of proposed production activity within Subzone 45G, at the facility of Shimadzu USA Manufacturing, Inc. (Shimadzu), located in Canby, Oregon. Subzone status was approved for Shimadzu's Canby facility on August 8, 2012 (S-52-2012, 77 FR 48127, 8/13/2012).

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 (77 FR 28353, 5/14/2012). The FTZ Board has determined that no further review of the activity is warranted at this time. The production activity described in the notification is authorized, subject to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations, including Section 400.14.

Dated: August 30, 2012.

**Andrew McGilvray,**

*Executive Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 1855]

#### Reorganization of Foreign-Trade Zone 151 Under Alternative Site Framework Findlay, Ohio

Pursuant to its authority under the Foreign-Trade Zones Act of June 18, 1934, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), the Foreign-