

FTZ Staff is designated examiner to evaluate and analyze the facts and information presented in the application and case record and to report findings and recommendations to the Board.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is March 29, 2010. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to April 12, 2010.

A copy of the application will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 2111, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230-0002, and in the "Reading Room" section of the Board's Web site, which is accessible via <http://www.trade.gov/ftz>.

For further information, contact Maureen Hinman at maureen.hinman@trade.gov or (202) 482-0627.

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Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket T-1-2010]

Foreign-Trade Zone 22—Chicago, IL Application for Temporary/Interim Manufacturing Authority LG Electronics MobileComm USA, Inc. (Cell Phone Kitting and Distribution) Bolingbrook, IL

An application has been submitted to the Executive Secretary of the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Illinois International Port District, grantee of FTZ 22, requesting temporary/interim manufacturing (T/IM) authority within FTZ 22 at the LG Electronics MobileComm USA, Inc. (LGEMU) facility, located in Bolingbrook, Illinois. The application was filed on January 13, 2010.

The LGEMU facility (20 employees, 17 acres, 38.9 million unit capacity) is located at 1251 115th St., Bolingbrook (Site 12). Under T/IM procedures, the LGEMU has requested authority to conduct kitting activity for cell phone handsets (HTSUS 8517.12 and 8517.62). Foreign components that would be used in production (representing 90-95% of

the value of the finished product) include: Cell phone batteries; cell phone chargers and adaptors; headphones; earphones; microphones; battery doors; cables; film packing materials; poly bags; blister packaging; master cartons; gift boxes; labels; bound instruction manuals; CD-ROM user guides; blue tooth units; paper inner trays; holsters; and, vinyl protective packaging sheets (duty rate ranges from duty free to 5.8%). T/IM authority could be granted for a period of up to two years.

Under FTZ procedures, LGEMU would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to cell phone mobile handsets (duty free) for the foreign inputs noted above for its shipments to the U.S. market. LGEMU could also realize logistical benefits through the use of weekly customs entry procedures. Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign status production equipment. The request indicates that the savings from FTZ procedures would help improve the plant's international competitiveness.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, Maureen Hinman of the FTZ Staff is designated examiner to evaluate and analyze the facts and information presented in the application and case record and to report findings and recommendations pursuant to Board Orders 1347 and 1480.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the following address: Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 2111, 1401 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20230. The closing period for their receipt is February 26, 2010.

LGEMU has also submitted a request for permanent FTZ manufacturing authority, which may include additional products and components. It should be noted that the request for permanent authority would be docketed separately and would be processed as a distinct proceeding. Any party wishing to submit comments for consideration regarding the request for permanent authority would need to submit such comments pursuant to the separate notice that would be published for that request.

A copy of the application will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Foreign-Trade Zones Board's Executive Secretary at the address listed above, and in the "Reading Room" section of the Board's Web site, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz. For further

information, contact Maureen Hinman at maureen.hinman@trade.gov or (202) 482-0627.

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Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 6-2010]

Foreign-Trade Zone 50—Long Beach, California Application for Subzone Allegro Mfg. Inc. (Cosmetic, Organizer and Electronic Bags and Accessories) Commerce, CA

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Port of Long Beach, grantee of FTZ 50, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the warehousing and distribution facility of Allegro Mfg. Inc. (Allegro), located in Commerce, California. 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 January 15, 2010.

The Allegro facility (83 employees, 5.8 acres, 14.4 million unit annual capacity) is located at 7230, 7250 and 7265 Oxford Way, Commerce, California. The facility is used for the storage and distribution of cosmetic, organizer and electronic bags and accessories (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 20%).

FTZ procedures could exempt Allegro from customs duty payments on foreign products that are re-exported (approximately two percent of shipments). On its domestic sales, the company would be able to defer duty payments until merchandise is shipped from the plant and entered for consumption. FTZ designation would further allow Allegro to realize logistical benefits through the use of weekly customs entry procedures. The request indicates that the savings from FTZ procedures would help improve the facility's international competitiveness.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, Elizabeth Whiteman of the FTZ Staff is designated examiner to evaluate and analyze the facts and information presented in the application and case record and to report findings and recommendations to the Board.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original

and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is March 29, 2010. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to April 12, 2010.

A copy of the application will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 2111, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230-0002, and in the "Reading Room" section of the Board's Web site, which is accessible via <http://www.trade.gov/ftz>.

For further information, contact Elizabeth Whiteman at Elizabeth.Whiteman@trade.gov or (202) 482-0473.

Dated: January 15, 2010.

Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[C-570-966]

Drill Pipe from the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigation

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

DATES: *Effective Date:* January 27, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Conniff and Eric B. Greynolds, AD/CVD Operations, Office 3, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Room 4014, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-1009, (202) 482-6071, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Petition

On December 31, 2009,¹ the Department of Commerce (the

¹ Petitioners filed the Petition at the International Trade Commission (ITC) after 12:00 noon on December 30, 2009, therefore, pursuant to 19 CFR 207.10(a), the ITC deemed the Petition to have been filed on the next business day, December 31, 2009. Section 702(b)(2) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act) requires simultaneous filings of countervailing duty petitions with the Department of Commerce and the ITC, therefore, we deem the Petition to have been filed with Commerce on December 31, 2009. This file date will change the initiation date from January 19, 2009, to January 20, 2009. See Memorandum to Ronald K. Lorentzen,

Department) received a petition concerning imports of drill pipe from the People's Republic of China (PRC) filed in proper form by VAM Drilling USA, Inc., Texas Steel Conversions, Inc., Rotary Drilling Tools, TMK IPSCO, and United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber, Manufacturing, Energy, Allied Industrial and Service Workers International Union, AFL-CIO-CLC (collectively, the petitioners). See Petitions for the Imposition of Antidumping and Countervailing Duties: Drill Pipe from the People's Republic of China, dated December 31, 2009 (Petition). On January 6, 2010, the Department issued additional requests for information and clarification of certain areas of the Petition. Petitioners filed timely additional information pertaining to general issues on January 11, 2010. See Petition for the Imposition of Antidumping Duties on Drill Pipe from the PRC: Response to Department's Letter of January 6, 2010 (Supplement to the AD/CVD Petitions). On January 8, 2010, the Department issued a request for additional information pertaining to countervailing duty (CVD) issues. Petitioners filed timely information regarding countervailing issues on January 13, 2010. See Petitions for the Imposition of Antidumping and Countervailing Duties: Drill Pipe from the PRC: Response to Pre-initiation CVD questions (Supplement to the CVD Petition). On January 14, 2010, the Department issued an additional request for information and clarification regarding general issues and dumping. Petitioners filed a response containing additional information related to both general issues and dumping on January 15, 2010. See Petitions for the Imposition of Antidumping and Countervailing Duties: Drill Pipe from the PRC: Response to the Department's Letter of January 14, 2010 (Second Supplement to the AD/CVD Petitions). Petitioners also filed additional information pertaining to general issues on January 15, 2010. See Petitions for the Imposition of Antidumping and Countervailing Duties: Drill Pipe from the PRC: Response to Department's Letter of January 14, 2010: Additional Affidavit (Third Supplement to the AD/CVD Petitions). On January 19, 2010, petitioners filed further clarifications related to general issues. See Petitions for the Imposition of Antidumping and Countervailing Duties: Drill Pipe from the PRC: Response to Department's Letter of January 14, 2010: Additional Affidavit: (Fourth Supplement to the

entitled "Decision Memorandum Concerning Petitions Filing Date," dated concurrently with this checklist.

AD/CVD Petitions). In addition, on both January 15, and January 19, 2010, we received comments filed by Lehnardt & Lehnardt, LLC, on behalf of Downhole Pipe & Equipment, LP (Downhole Pipe) and Command Energy Services International (Command Energy), U.S. importers of drill pipe from China. Downhole Pipe and Command Energy are interested parties per section 771(9)(A) of the Act.

In accordance with section 702(b)(1) of the Act, petitioners allege that manufacturers, producers, or exporters of drill pipe in the PRC receive countervailable subsidies within the meaning of section 701 of the Act, and that such imports are materially injuring, or threatening material injury to, an industry in the United States.

The Department finds that petitioners filed the Petition on behalf of the domestic industry because they are interested parties as defined in section 771(9)(C) and (D) of the Act, and petitioners have demonstrated sufficient industry support with respect to the CVD investigation (see "Determination of Industry Support for the Petition" section below).

Period of Investigation

The proposed period of investigation (POI) is January 1, 2009, through December 31, 2009.

Scope of Investigation

The products covered by this investigation are drill pipe from the PRC. For a full description of the scope of the investigation, see the "Scope of the Investigation" in Appendix I of this notice.

Comments on Scope of Investigation

During our review of the Petition, we discussed the scope with petitioners to ensure that it is an accurate reflection of the products for which the domestic industry is seeking relief. Moreover, as discussed in the preamble to the Department's regulations (*Antidumping Duties; Countervailing Duties; Final Rule*, 62 FR 27296, 27323 (May 19, 1997)), we are setting aside a period for interested parties to raise issues regarding product coverage. The Department encourages all interested parties to submit such comments by Wednesday, February 10, 2010, twenty calendar days from the signature date of this notice. Comments should be addressed to Import Administration's APO/Dockets Unit, Room 1870, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230. The period for scope consultations is intended to provide the Department with ample