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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or specific questions related to collection activities should be directed to Aidan Smith, Assistant Division Chief, Construction Indicator Programs, Economic Indicators Division, U.S. Census Bureau, 301–763–2972 or via email at Aidan.D.Smith@census.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Census Bureau plans to request an extension of a currently approved collection for forms C–700, C–700(R), C–700(SL), and C–700(F). These forms are used to conduct the Construction Progress Reporting Surveys (CPRS) and collect information on the dollar value of construction put in place. Form C–700, for Private Construction Projects, collects construction put in place data for nonresidential projects owned by private companies or individuals. Form C–700(R), for Multifamily Residential Projects, collects construction put in place data for private multifamily residential buildings. Form C–700(SL), for State and Local Government Projects, collects construction put in place data for state and local government projects. Form C–700(F), for Federal Government Projects, collects construction put in place data for federal government projects.

The Census Bureau uses the information from these surveys to publish the value of construction put in place for the monthly ‘Construction Spending’ principal economic indicator. Published estimates are used by a variety of private businesses and trade associations to estimate the demand for building materials and to schedule production, distribution, and sales efforts. They also provide various government agencies with a tool to evaluate economic policy. For example, Bureau of Economic Analysis staff use

data to develop the construction components of gross private domestic investment in the gross domestic product. The Federal Reserve Board and the Department of the Treasury use the value in place data to predict the gross domestic product, which is presented to the Board of Governors and has an impact on monetary policy.

There are currently no planned content changes to the questionnaires.

II. Method of Collection

An independent systematic sample of construction projects is selected each month according to predetermined sample rates. Once a project is selected, it remains in the sample until completion. For the preliminary mailing, preprinted forms are mailed to respondents. After the preliminary mailing, respondents have the option to report online. Respondents that consistently report electronically, receive email notifications and reminders to complete the online survey. Nonrespondents are later called by a Census interviewer and are asked to report data over the phone. Interviews are scheduled at the convenience of the respondent, which further reduces their burden. Respondents having their information available from an internal database at the time of the interview greatly helps reduce the time spent on the phone.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0607–0153.

Form Number(s): C–700, C–700(R), C–700(SL), C–700(F).

Type of Review: Regular submission, Request for an Extension, without Change, of a Currently Approved Collection.

Affected Public: Individuals, Businesses or Other for Profit, Not-for-Profit Institutions, Small Businesses or Organizations, State and Local Governments and the Federal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: C–700 = 6,200; C–700(R) = 2,500; C–700(SL) = 11,800; C–700(F) = 1,500
TOTAL = 22,000.

Estimated Time per Response: 30 minutes for the first month; 10 minutes for subsequent months. We estimate, on average, that projects remain in sample for 12 months.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 51,333.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$0 (This is not the cost of respondents’ time, but the indirect costs respondents may incur for such things as purchases of specialized software or hardware needed to report, or expenditures for accounting or records

maintenance services required specifically by the collection.)

Respondent’s Obligation: Voluntary.
Legal Authority: Title 13 U.S.C. 131 and 182.

IV. Request for Comments

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department/Bureau to: (a) Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) Evaluate ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include, or summarize, each comment in our request to OMB to approve this ICR. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Sheleen Dumas,

Department PRA Clearance Officer, Office of the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs, Commerce Department.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B–39–2024]

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 75, Notification of Proposed Production Activity; LG Energy Solution Arizona, Inc.; (Cylindrical Lithium-Ion Battery Cells and Lithium Iron Phosphate Pouch-Type Batteries); Queen Creek, Arizona

The City of Phoenix, grantee of FTZ 75, submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board (the Board) on behalf of LG Energy Solution Arizona, Inc. (LGESAI), for LGESAI’s facilities in Queen Creek,

Arizona within Subzone 75V. The notification conforming to the requirements of the Board's regulations (15 CFR 400.22) was received on July 8, 2024.

Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), FTZ production activity would be limited to the specific foreign-status material(s)/ component(s) and specific finished product(s) described in the submitted notification (summarized below) and subsequently authorized by the Board. The benefits that may stem from conducting production activity under FTZ procedures are explained in the background section of the Board's website—accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

The proposed finished products include: cylindrical lithium-ion battery cells and lithium-iron phosphate pouch-type batteries (duty-rate 3.4%).

The proposed foreign-status materials/components include: anode conductive agents; cathode conductive agents; N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone (NMP) [solvent]; insulation solution comprised of NMP, based aluminum oxide hydroxide, tannic acid, polyvinylidene fluoride and, styrene butadiene rubber solution; anode active material comprised of artificial and natural graphite and, silicon monoxide (SiO); cathode active materials comprised of lithium nickel manganese cobalt oxides and lithium, iron and, phosphoric acid (LFP(LiFePO4)); conductive agents comprised of NMP base, multi-wall carbon nano tube, water based single-wall carbon nano tube; electrolytes comprised of lithium hexafluorophosphate, ethylene, dimethyl, ethyl methyl and vinylene carbonates and, ethylene sulfate); cathode binders comprised of polyvinylidene fluoride; anode additives comprised of carboxymethyl cellulose; insulation tapes; jelly roll tapes; seal tapes; stack cell tapes; separators comprised of polyethylene alumina (Al2O3) coated, polyethylene film and, polypropylene film); pouch; anode binders; styrene-butadiene rubber; cathode additives; copper or nickel-plated copper anode current collectors; copper foil; aluminum foil; aluminum cathode current collectors; aluminum and nickel-plated steel riveting can; stainless steel ventilation assemblies; lead assembly electrode current collectors comprised of aluminum cathodes, copper anode, or nickel-plated copper); and, polypropylene top insulators (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 6.5%).

The request indicates that the materials/components are subject to duties under section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 (section 301), depending on

the country of origin. The applicable section 301 decisions require subject merchandise to be admitted to FTZs in privileged foreign status (19 CFR 146.41).

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary and sent to: ftz@trade.gov. The closing period for their receipt is August 26, 2024.

A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection in the "Online FTZ Information System" section of the Board's website.

For further information, contact Christopher Wedderburn at Chris.Wedderburn@trade.gov.

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Elizabeth Whiteman,
Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B-40-2024]

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 78, Notification of Proposed Production Activity; AESC US LLC; (Lithium-Ion Battery Cells); Smyrna, Tennessee

AESC US LLC, submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board (the Board) for its facility in Smyrna, Tennessee within Subzone 78L. The notification conforming to the requirements of the Board's regulations (15 CFR 400.22) was received on July 8, 2024.

Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), FTZ production activity would be limited to the specific foreign-status material(s)/ component(s) and specific finished product(s) described in the submitted notification (summarized below) and subsequently authorized by the Board. The benefits that may stem from conducting production activity under FTZ procedures are explained in the background section of the Board's website—accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz. The proposed finished product(s) and material(s)/component(s) would be added to the production authority that the Board previously approved for the operation, as reflected on the Board's website.

The proposed finished product is lithium-ion battery cells (duty rate 3.4%).

The proposed foreign-status materials/components include: aluminum caps for cell enclosure; bottom support plate (polypropylene);

cap plate covers (polycarbonate); forming nails (plastics); battery cell enclosure (aluminum can); positive connectors (aluminum); sealing nails (aluminum); insulation (polyester film); polyethylene terephthalate tape (adhesive in rolls); negative connectors (copper); and, separators for electrical charges (cellular plastic) (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 6.5%). The request indicates that the materials/ components are subject to duties under section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 (section 301), depending on the country of origin. The applicable section 301 decisions require subject merchandise to be admitted to FTZs in privileged foreign status (19 CFR 146.41).

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A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection in the "Online FTZ Information System" section of the Board's website.

For further information, contact Christopher Wedderburn at Chris.Wedderburn@trade.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

In the Matter of: Robert Wise, 145 Cliff Avenue, Pelham, NY 10803; Order Denying Export Privileges

On December 4, 2023, in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, Robert Wise ("Wise") was convicted of violating 18 U.S.C. 371. Specifically, Wise was convicted of conspiring to commit international money laundering by using international wire transfers to conduct U.S. dollar transactions for the benefit of a sanctioned Russian oligarch. As a result of his conviction, the Court sentenced Wise to time served, two years of supervised release, with the first 12 months in home detention, and a \$100,000 fine.

Pursuant to Section 1760(e) of the Export Control Reform Act ("ECRA"),¹ the export privileges of any person who has been convicted of certain offenses,

¹ ECRA was enacted on August 13, 2018, as part of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019, and as amended is codified at 50 U.S.C. 4801-4852.