

Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). Sodium persulfates are classifiable under HTSUS subheading 2833.40.20. Ammonium and other persulfates are classifiable under HTSUS subheadings 2833.40.50 and 2833.40.60. Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope of this review is dispositive.

Initiation of Changed Circumstances Review

Pursuant to section 751(b)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), the Department will conduct a changed circumstances review upon receipt of information concerning, or a request from an interested party for a review of, an antidumping duty order which shows changed circumstances sufficient to warrant a review of the order. The information submitted by FMC shows changed circumstances sufficient to warrant a review. See 19 CFR 351.216(c).

Concerning FMC's request that the Department issue the preliminary results of the changed circumstances review in conjunction with the notice of initiation, FMC has not provided sufficient evidence to support a preliminary finding. FMC requested this changed circumstances review for the purpose of determining whether Degussa-AJ is the successor-in-interest to AJ Works. In making successor-in-interest determinations, the Department examines several factors including, but not limited to, changes in: (1) Management; (2) production facilities; (3) supplier relationships; and (4) customer base. See, e.g., *Brass Sheet and Strip from Canada; Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review*, 57 FR 20460, 20461 (May 13, 1992). While no single factor, or combination of factors, will necessarily be dispositive, the Department will generally consider the new company to be the successor to its predecessor company if the resulting operations are essentially the same as the predecessor company. See, e.g., *id.*, and *Industrial Phosphoric Acid from Israel; Final Results of Changed Circumstances Review*, 59 FR 6944, 6945 (Feb. 14, 1994). Thus, if the evidence demonstrates that, with respect to the production and sale of the subject merchandise, the new company does not operate as the same business entity as its predecessor, the Department will not treat the new company as the successor-in-interest to the predecessor. In this instance, while FMC has stated for the record that the AJ Works' owners, management structure, supplier relationships and customer base have

changed, it has not provided evidence supporting these statements.

We note that the circumstances here involve a change in ownership of a producer in a nonmarket economy country. Consequently, the analysis applied and the relevant facts may differ from successor-in-interest determinations in other situations. Nonetheless, we find that a changed circumstances review is warranted, and we will examine such questions in the course of this review.

Therefore, in accordance with section 751(b)(1) of the Act and sections 19 CFR 351.216(b) and 351.221(b)(1), we are initiating a changed circumstances administrative review.

Interested parties may submit comments for consideration in the Department's preliminary results not later than May 1, 2003. Responses to those comments may be submitted not later than 10 days following submission of the comments. All written comments must be submitted in accordance with 19 CFR 351.303, and must be served on all interested parties on the Department's service list in accordance with 19 CFR 351.303.

The Department will publish in the **Federal Register** a notice of preliminary results of changed circumstances review, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.221(c)(3)(i), which will set forth the factual and legal conclusions upon which our preliminary results are based, and a description of any action proposed based on those results. The Department will also issue its final results of review within 270 days after the date on which the changed circumstances review is initiated, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.216(e), and will publish these results in the **Federal Register**.

While the changed circumstances review is under way, the current requirement for a cash deposit of estimated antidumping duties on all subject merchandise, including the merchandise that is the subject of this changed circumstances review, will continue unless and until it is modified pursuant to the final results of this changed circumstances review or the ongoing 2001–2002 administrative review.

This notice is in accordance with sections 751(b)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.216 and 351.222.

Dated: February 21, 2003.

Faryar Shirzad,
Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

[Docket No. 990813222–0035–03]

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Allocation of Duty-Exemptions for Calendar Year 2003 Among Watch Producers Located in the Virgin Islands

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce; Office of Insular Affairs, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This action allocates calendar year 2003 duty exemptions for watch producers located in the Virgin Islands pursuant to Pub. L. 97–446, as amended by Pub. L. 103–465 (“the Act”).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Faye Robinson, (202) 482–3526.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Act, the Departments of the Interior and Commerce (the Departments) share responsibility for the allocation of duty exemptions among watch assembly firms in the United States insular possessions and the Northern Mariana Islands. In accordance with Section 303.3(a) of the regulations (15 CFR 303.3(a)), the total quantity of duty-free insular watches and watch movements for calendar year 2003 is 1,866,000 units for the Virgin Islands (65 FR 8048, February 17, 2000).

The criteria for the calculation of the calendar year 2003 duty-exemption allocations among insular producers are set forth in Section 303.14 of the regulations (15 CFR 303.14).

The Departments have verified and adjusted the data submitted on application form ITA–334P by Virgin Islands producers and inspected their current operations in accordance with Section 303.5 of the regulations (15 CFR 303.5).

In calendar year 2002 the Virgin Islands watch assembly firms shipped 460,504 watches and watch movements into the customs territory of the United States under the Act. The dollar amount of creditable corporate income taxes paid by Virgin Islands producers during calendar year 2002 plus the creditable wages paid by the industry during calendar year 2002 to residents of the territory was \$3,052,648.

There are no producers in Guam, American Samoa or the Northern Mariana Islands.

The calendar year 2003 Virgin Islands annual allocations, based on the data

verified by the Departments, are as follows:

Name of firm	Annual allocation
Belair Quartz, Inc.	500,000
Hampden Watch Co., Inc.	200,000
Unitime Industries, Inc.	100,000
Tropex, Inc.	300,000

The balance of the units allocated to the Virgin Islands is available for new entrants into the program or producers who request a supplement to their allocation.

Faryar Shirzad,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, Department of Commerce.

David B. Cohen,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Insular Affairs, Department of the Interior.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Minority Business Development Agency

[Docket No: 000724218-3028-05]

Native American Business Development Center Applications

AGENCY: Minority Business Development Agency, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA) is canceling the announcement to solicit competitive applications under its Native American Business Development Center (NABDC) program to operate the New Mexico Statewide NABDC.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Due to budget constraints and other agency priorities, the Minority Business Development Agency is canceling the announcement to solicit competitive applications under its Native American Business Development Center (NABDC) program to operate the New Mexico Statewide NABDC. The solicitation was originally published in the **Federal Register** notice of Wednesday, October 30, 2002, Vol. 67, No. 210, Pages 66115-66125. All applications will be returned to the applicants by MBDA.

Authority: Executive Order 11625 and 15 U.S.C. 1512.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) 11.801 Native American Business Development Center)

Dated: February 24, 2003.

Juanita E. Berry,

Federal Register Liaison Officer, Minority Business Development Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Advanced Technology Program Advisory Committee

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Partially Closed Meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2, notice is hereby given that the Advanced Technology Program Advisory Committee, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), will meet Tuesday, March 11, from 9 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. The Advanced Technology Program Advisory Committee is composed of ten members appointed by the Director of NIST; who are eminent in such fields as business, research, new product development, engineering, education, and management consulting. The purpose of this meeting is to review and make recommendations regarding general policy for the Advanced Technology Program (ATP), its organization, its budget, and its programs within the framework of applicable national policies as set forth by the President and the Congress. The agenda will include an International Panel on Funding R&D Projects, a Competition Update and Program Evaluation Methods (Tool Kit). Discussions scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. and to end at 10 a.m. and to begin at 2:40 p.m. and to end at 3:45 p.m. on March 11, 2003, on ATP budget issues will be closed. All visitors to the National Institute of Standards and Technology site will have to pre-register to be admitted. Please submit your name, time of arrival, email address and phone number to Carolyn Peters no later than Thursday, March 6, 2003, and she will provide you with instructions for admittance. Ms. Peters's email address is carolyn.peters@nist.gov and her phone number is 301/975-5607.

DATES: The meeting will convene March 11, 2003, at 9 a.m. and will adjourn at 3:45 p.m. on March 11, 2003.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the National Institute of Standards and Technology, Administration Building,

Lecture Room B, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899. Please note admittance instructions under **SUMMARY** paragraph.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Carolyn J. Peters, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-1004, telephone number (301) 975-5607.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the General Counsel, formally determined on February 19, 2003, that portions of the meeting of the Advanced Technology Program Advisory Committee which involve discussion of proposed funding of the Advanced Technology Program may be closed in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(B), because that portion will divulge matters the premature disclosure of which would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of proposed agency actions.

Dated: February 20, 2003.

Karen H. Brown,

Deputy Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Announcing a Meeting of the Information Security and Privacy Advisory Board (Formerly the Computer System Security and Privacy Advisory Board)

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, DOC.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App., notice is hereby given that the Information Security and Privacy Advisory Board (ISPAB) (formerly known as the Computer System Security and Privacy Advisory Board (CSSPAB)) will meet Tuesday, March 11, 2003, from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m., Wednesday, March 12, 2003, from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. and on Thursday, March 13, from 8:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. All sessions will be open to the public. The Advisory Board was established by the Computer Security Act of 1987 (Pub. L. 100-235) and amended by the Federal Information Security Management Act of 2002 (Pub. L. 107-347) to advise the Secretary of Commerce and the Director of NIST on security and privacy issues pertaining to federal computer systems. Details regarding the Board's activities