Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments may be sent to Michele Eginoire, National Earth Team Office, NRCS, 5140 Park Avenue, Suite C, Des Moines, Iowa 50321; telephone: (515) 289-0325, extension 102; fax: (515) 289-4561; e-mail:

michele.eginoire@ia.usda.gov. All comments received will be available for public inspection during regular business hours at the same address. All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments also will become a matter of public record.

Signed in Washington, DC on December 12, 2008.

## Arlen L. Lancaster,

Chief.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

# Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 1596]

## Grant of Authority for Subzone Status, Haliburton Energy Services, Inc. (Barite Milling), New Orleans, Louisiana

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 (the 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 qualified corporations the privilege of establishing foreign-trade zones in or adjacent to U.S. Customs and Border Protection ports of entry;

Whereas, the Board's regulations (15 CFR Part 400) provide for the

establishment of special—purpose subzones when existing zone facilities cannot serve the specific use involved, and when the activity results in a significant public benefit and is in the public interest;

Whereas, the Port of New Orleans, grantee of Foreign—Trade Zone 2, has made application to the Board for authority to establish a special—purpose subzone at the barite milling facility of Haliburton Energy Services, Inc., located in New Orleans, Louisiana (FTZ Docket 22–2008, filed 04/01/08);

Whereas, notice inviting public comment was given in the **Federal Register** (73 FR 20246, 04/15/08); and,

Whereas, the Board adopts the findings and recommendations of the examiner's report, and finds the requirements of the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations are satisfied, and that approval of the application is in the public interest;

Now, therefore, the Board hereby grants authority for subzone status for activity related to barite milling at the facility of Haliburton Energy Services, Inc., located in New Orleans, Louisiana (Subzone 2K), as described in the application and **Federal Register** notice, and subject to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations, including Section 400.28.

Signed at Washington, D.C., this 19th day of December 2008.

## David M. Spooner,

Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Import Administration, Alternate Chairman, Foreign–Trade Zones Board.

Attest:

## Andrew McGilvray,

Executive Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

#### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 1595]

# Grant of Authority for Subzone Status, Haliburton Energy Services, Inc. (Barite Milling), Westlake, Louisiana

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 (the 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 qualified corporations the privilege of

establishing foreign—trade zones in or adjacent to U.S. Customs and Border Protection ports of entry;

Whereas, the Board's regulations (15 CFR Part 400) provide for the establishment of special—purpose subzones when existing zone facilities cannot serve the specific use involved, and when the activity results in a significant public benefit and is in the public interest;

Whereas, the Lake Charles Harbor & Terminal District, grantee of Foreign—Trade Zone 87, has made application to the Board for authority to establish a special—purpose subzone at the barite milling facility of Haliburton Energy Services, Inc., located in Westlake, Louisiana (FTZ Docket 21–2008, filed 04/01/08);

Whereas, notice inviting public comment was given in the Federal Register (73 FR 20248, 04/15/08); and,

Whereas, the Board adopts the findings and recommendations of the examiner's report, and finds the requirements of the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations are satisfied, and that approval of the application is in the public interest;

Now, therefore, the Board hereby grants authority for subzone status for activity related to barite milling at the facility of Haliburton Energy Services, Inc., located in Westlake, Louisiana (Subzone 87C), as described in the application and Federal Register notice, and subject to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations, including Section 400.28.

Signed at Washington, D.C., this 19th day of December 2008.

# David M. Spooner,

Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Import Administration, Alternate Chairman, Foreign–Trade Zones Board.

Attest:

#### Andrew McGilvray.

 ${\it Executive Secretary.}$ 

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

# Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 1594]

# Grant of Authority for Subzone Status, Haliburton Energy Services, Inc. (Barite Milling), Corpus Christi, Texas

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 (the Board) adopts the following Order:

Whereas, the Foreign-Trade Zones Act provides for "...the establishment...