

The Agency will evaluate each complete application received in the USDA Rural Development National Office and will make awards using the provisions specified in 7 CFR 4279.265(a) through (f).

A ranked application that is competed, but is not funded, will be carried forward to Fiscal Year 2012 to compete in the first competition in Fiscal Year 2012.

In all instances in which a ranked application is not funded, the Agency will notify the lender in writing. If an application has been selected for funding, but has not been funded because additional information is needed, the Agency will notify the lender of what information is needed, including a timeframe for the lender to provide the information. If the lender does not provide the information within the specified timeframe, the Agency will remove the application from further consideration and will so notify the lender.

D. *Guaranteed loan servicing.* The Agency will service loans guaranteed under this Notice in accordance with the provisions specified in 7 CFR 4287.301 through 4287.307.

E. *Transfers and assumptions.* The transfer fee rate for all transfers and assumptions that occur during Fiscal Year 2011 is 1 percent. The transfer fee will be equal to the transfer fee rate multiplied by the outstanding principal loan balance as of the date of the transfer multiplied by the percent of guarantee.

VI. Administration Information

A. *Notifications.* The Agency will notify, in writing, lenders whose applications have been selected for funding. If the Agency determines it is unable to guarantee the loan, the lender will be informed in writing. Such notification will include the reasons for denial of the guarantee.

B. *Administrative and National Policy requirements.*

1. *Review or appeal rights.* A person may seek a review of an Agency decision or appeal to the National Appeals Division in accordance with 7 CFR 4279.16.

2. *Exception authority.* The provisions specified in 7 CFR 4279.202(b) and 7 CFR 4287.303 apply to this Notice.

C. *Environmental review.* The Agency has reviewed the types of applicant proposals that may qualify for assistance under this section and has determined, in accordance with 7 CFR Part 1940-G, that all proposals shall be reviewed as a Class II Environmental Assessment (EA) as the development of new and emerging technologies would not meet

the classification of a Categorical Exclusion (CE) in accordance with 7 CFR 1940.310 or a Class I EA in accordance with 7 CFR 1940.311. Furthermore, if after Agency review of proposals the Agency has determined that the proposal could result in significant environmental impacts on the quality of the human environment, an Environmental Impact Statement may be required pursuant to 7 CFR 1940.313.

VII. Agency Contacts

For general questions about this Notice, please contact Kelley Oehler, Energy Branch, Biorefinery Assistance Program, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Mail Stop 3225, Washington, DC, 20250-3225. Telephone: 202-720-6819. E-mail: kelley.oehler@wdc.usda.gov.

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Cheryl L. Cook,

Acting Under Secretary, Rural Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

[Docket No. 110228173-1173-01]

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Department of Commerce FY 2011-2016 Strategic Plan

AGENCY: Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Request for comment.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Department) is updating its current FY 2007-2012 Strategic Plan. As part of this process, the Department is inviting comments on its draft FY 2011-2016 Strategic Plan to comply with the *Government Performance and Results Act* of 1993 (GPRA), as well as the recently enacted *GPRA Modernization Act*.

DATES: Public comments on the draft Strategic Plan must be entered through the Federal eRulemaking Portal or received at the appropriate mailing or e-mail address (*see ADDRESSES*) no later than April 11, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Please submit comments through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Attachments to electronic comments may be submitted in Microsoft Word, Excel, or Adobe PDF formats.

Commenters who do not have access to the Internet may mail comments to Mr. Stephen Shapiro, Office of the Deputy Secretary, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Room 5312, Washington, DC 20230. While on-line submission is preferred, comments may also be submitted via e-mail to

sshapiro@doc.gov. Comments that are mailed or e-mailed also become part of the public record and will generally be posted to <http://www.regulations.gov/> with all identifying information (name, address, affiliation) that is voluntarily submitted. Anonymous comments may be submitted on-line by entering "N/A" in identification fields. Please do not submit proprietary or other sensitive information you do not want made public.

The Department's current and draft Strategic Plans are posted at <http://www.osec.doc.gov/bmi/budget/>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Stephen Shapiro, phone 202-482-3700, fax 202-482-2903, e-mail sshapiro@doc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the *Government Performance and Results Act* of 1993 (GPRA), as well as the recently enacted *GPRA Modernization Act*, each Federal agency must develop a strategic plan describing the agency's mission and strategic goals, and the means and strategies that will be used to achieve them. The plan must describe the relationship between annual performance goals and the agency's strategic goal framework. Annual performance plans for implementing the strategic plan are documented as elements of the Department's budget justifications. A key part of the statutory

process for developing or updating a strategic plan includes consultation with Congress and other interested and potentially affected parties.

The structure of the draft strategic plan has changed from that of the previous plan, and incorporates the structure of the Department's new balanced scorecard. A balanced scorecard "balances" or equally emphasizes programmatic and management objectives, and contains measures that are tracked by senior leaders to support their day-to-day management activities. During the spring of 2010, Secretary Locke engaged with a broad cross-section of the Department's senior leadership to develop a balanced scorecard to deploy and execute this Strategic Plan. The Secretary directed a balanced scorecard approach to establish and maintain focus on the Department's top priorities, to institutionalize quarterly data-driven reviews with heads of operating units to monitor and ensure attainment of these priorities, and to emphasize that Customer Service, Organizational Excellence, and Workforce Excellence are prerequisites to the short and long-term achievement of the Department's programmatic goals.

The balanced scorecard approach monitors the Department's internal management processes and focuses its operating programs on priorities. This approach recognizes that follow-up and follow-through are critical to both the short and long-term success and sustainability of high-performing programs.

The Department's balanced scorecard and Strategic Plan are structured around three programmatic themes (Economic Growth, Science and Information, and Environmental Stewardship) and three management themes (Customer Service, Organizational Excellence, and Workforce Excellence). The Economic Growth theme is further subdivided into three goals (Innovation and Entrepreneurship, Market Development and Commercialization, and Trade Promotion and Compliance).

These themes and goals are further subdivided into 27 strategic objectives, which frame all of the Department's programs and supporting activities. Each objective narrative addresses the Department's strategies to achieve the objective, key challenges, external factors, contributing programs, and program evaluations. Narratives for the 18 programmatic objectives also include performance measures (*i.e.*, *GPRA* measures) for tracking attainment.

The Department's Strategic Plan is implemented on an annual basis through the Annual Performance Plan

for each operating unit. Results are published in the Department's annual Performance and Accountability Report. Copies of the Department's Annual Performance Plans and Performance and Accountability Reports are posted at <http://www.osec.doc.gov/bmi/budget/>.

Dated: March 4, 2011.

Scott Quehl,

Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary for Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 16-2011]

Foreign-Trade Zone 229—Charleston, WV; Application for Subzone; Cabela's Inc.; (Hunting, Fishing, Camping and Related Outdoor Merchandise) Triadelphia, WV

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the West Virginia Economic Development Authority, grantee of FTZ 229, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the warehousing and distribution facility of Cabela's Inc. (Cabela's), located in Triadelphia, West Virginia. 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 March 7, 2011.

The Cabela's facility (510 employees, 60 acres) is located at One Distribution Road, Triadelphia, West Virginia. The facility is used for the storage and distribution of outdoor merchandise, clothing and footwear, including optics, electronics, hunting, archery, shooting, fishing, boating, camping, pet and related products (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 48%).

FTZ procedures could exempt Cabela's from customs duty payments on foreign products that will be re-exported (approximately 1% 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 Cabela's 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 May 10, 2011. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to May 25, 2011.

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: March 7, 2011.

Andrew McGilvray,

Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 17-2011]

Foreign-Trade Zone 266—Dane County, WI; Application for Subzone, Cabela's Inc. (Hunting, Fishing, Camping and Related Outdoor Merchandise), Prairie du Chien, WI

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by Dane County, Wisconsin, grantee of FTZ 266, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the warehousing and distribution facility of Cabela's Inc. (Cabela's), located in Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin. 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 March 7, 2011.

The Cabela's facility (685 employees, 56 acres) is located at 501 Cliffhaven Road, Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin. The facility is used for the storage and distribution of outdoor merchandise, clothing and footwear, including optics, electronics, hunting, archery, shooting,