# IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT ZONE SCHEDULES

This zone schedule is being made available pursuant to 15 CFR 400.44(e), which states: "The Board shall make copies of zone schedules available on its Web site."

Availability of this zone schedule on the FTZ Board's website does not imply that the FTZ Board has approved any rate/charge, policy or other content of this zone schedule. In particular, while the FTZ Board staff intends to conduct spot checks over time, zone schedules are not reviewed for compliance with the public utility requirement (19 U.S.C. 81n, 15 CFR 400.42) prior to making the zone schedules available via the Board's website.

Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.44(b)(4), a grantee <u>may not</u> assess any specific rate or charge for which the amount – or formula for calculating the amount – does not appear in the zone schedule that the grantee has submitted to the FTZ Board.

Complaints about a grantee's compliance with statutory and regulatory requirements related to public utility and uniform treatment – including rate or charge amounts/formulas, a grantee assessing a rate or charge amount/formula that does not appear in its zone schedule, and a grantee not affording uniform treatment under like conditions – may be presented to the FTZ Board under 15 CFR 400.45 (which also allows for complaints to be made on a confidential basis, if necessary).

Questions or concerns may be addressed to the FTZ Board staff at (202) 482-2862 or ftz@trade.gov.



# KENTUCKY FOREIGN-TRADE ZONE #47 Boone, Campbell and Kenton Counties

# **GRANTEE:**

# GREATER CINCINNATI FOREIGN-TRADE ZONE, INC.

# **SCHEDULE:**

RULES, REGULATIONS, RATES AND CHARGES

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#### FOREIGN-TRADE ZONE BENFITS

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) No. 47 was established in 1979 to promote international trade and to facilitate the expansion of business activity in the Kentucky counties of Boone, Campbell, and Kenton.



In 2011, the Foreign Trade Zone Board approved the reorganization of Zone 47 under the **Alternative Site Framework (ASF)**. This action helps achieve greater flexibility in the designation of new "usage-driven" FTZ sites for operators located within the service area and creates a more streamlined approach to zone administration.

There is increased demand from the international business community to operate in the United States – especially in U.S. metropolitan area that are well located, logistically significant and provide cost efficiencies. Greater Cincinnati / Northern Kentucky ranks No. 16 in the top 100 cities for global trade (Global Trade, 2014) with more than \$18 billion in annual exports. More than 450 international companies employ over 50,000 in the tri-state, up from 28,320 employed in 1991.

In 2014, goods exported directly from U.S. foreign-trade zones jumped 24.8 percent from the previous year, to a record \$99.2 billion. The increase represents a more than three-fold increase in FTZ exports in the five-year period dating back to 2009 (NAFTZ 2016 Annual Report).

Greater Cincinnati Foreign-Trade Zone, Inc. is available to support companies in the application and the activation processes who's operations are consistent with the Foreign-Trade Zones Act and desire "to expedite and encourage the foreign commerce" of the United States.

#### FOREIGN-TRADE ZONE No. 47 SITES

# **SITE (1) DESCRIPTION**

BOONE COUNTY, KENTUCKY – The site is located on 22 acres in Boone County, Kentucky approximately 8 miles southwest of Cincinnati, Ohio within the U.S. Customs Port of Entry for Cincinnati. The site contains a 136,000 sq. ft. public warehousing distribution center owned and operated by Trancy Logistics located at 1670 Dolwick Ave., Erlanger, Kentucky 41018.

Site MODIFIED to 7.368 acres with Board Order 1774 ASF Reorg.; Dated July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

#### **SITE (2) DESCRIPTION**

BOONE COUNTY, KENTUCKY – The site is located on 185 acres in the Park West International Industrial Park located approximately 10 miles southwest of Cincinnati, Ohio within the U.S. Customs Port of Entry for Cincinnati.

(1) Usage Driven Site located at 1200 and 1405 Worldwide Blvd. Hebron, Kentucky operated by The Gap Inc.

#### REMOVED; Dated August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2013.

(2) Usage Driven Site located at 3750 North Bend Rd. and 3720 Langley Drive, Hebron, Kentucky operated by Levi Strauss & Co.

#### **ZONE 47 SUBZONES**

47-A	Clarion Manuf. Corp. Board Order #480	07-06-1990 De-Activated 04-19-2000
47-B	Marathon - Ashland Board Order #865	12-30-1996
47-C	GE Engine Services Board Order #1256	11-08-2002
47-D	Valeo North America Board Order #S-150-2017	01-22-2018

# ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION

Greater Cincinnati Foreign-Trade Zone, Inc. is the authorized Grantee for Foreign-Trade Zone No.47. The following persons represent the Board membership of the Greater Cincinnati Foreign-Trade Zone, Inc.

#### **PRESIDENT**

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# **DEFINITION OF TERMS**

**ACT:** The Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Act of June 18, 1934.

**ACTIVATION:** The process of obtaining Customs approval to use foreign trade zone

procedures at a particular location as detailed in 19 C.F.R. § 146.6.

**CUSTOMS:** U.S. Customs & Border Protection

FTZ BOARD: Established within the Department of Commerce to carry out the

provisions of the FTZ Act.

**GRANTEE:** A corporation to which the privilege of establishing, operating and

maintaining a FTZ has been granted by the FTZ Board.

**GENERAL** 

**PURPOSE ZONE:** Established for multiple activities by multiple users.

**SUBZONE:** A special purpose zone established as part of a zone project for a

limited purpose that cannot be accommodated within an existing

zone.

**ZONE:** Means Foreign Trade Zone No. 47

**ZONE PROJECT:** All of the zone and subzone sites under a single grantee.

**ZONE SITE:** The physical location of a zone or subzone.

**OPERATOR:** A corporation, partnership or person that operates a zone or subzone

under the terms of an agreement with the grantee.

**USER:** A person or firm using a zone for storage, handling or processing of

merchandise.

**ACTIVATION:** The notification to U.S. Customs for the approval to admit and handle

merchandise in zone status.

**CUSTOMS** 

**TERRITORY:** The territory of the U.S. in which the general tariff laws of the U.S.

apply. The U.S. Customs territory includes the States, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico minus any areas within the boundaries of

foreign-trade zones.

#### **ZONE RULES AND POLICIES**

To promote the use of the Foreign-Trade Zone program in an effort to positively effect the international competitiveness of U.S. companies through the encouragement of production, investment and employment in the region.

#### **GRANTEE / OPERATOR AGREEMENT**

As Grantee for Zone No. 47, the Greater Cincinnati Foreign-Trade Zone, Inc. requires an Operations Agreement with each Zone Operator/User.

\*Included as an attachment is a draft Operations Agreement.

# PERSONAL PROPERTY (INVENTORY) TAX EXEMPTION

The Foreign-Trade Zones Board has advised in a FOREIGN-TRADE ZONE APPLICATION INSTRUCTION SHEET that:

If an application involves areas located in a state where inventory is subject to personal property taxation, the economic impact section of the application ...should contain a statement regarding the views of the appropriate local officials with respect to the impact of the tax exemption that would result from the proposed zone activity.

In response to the request of the FTZ Board, the Greater Cincinnati Foreign-Trade Zone, Inc. requires that the appropriate local government, economic development and school officials are notified of a pending zone application. This notification is to include statements within the economic impact section of the application regarding their views with respect to the impact of the tax exemption.

#### SUPPORT OF APPLICATIONS

As Grantee for Zone No. 47, the Greater Cincinnati Foreign-Trade Zone, Inc. will support only those applications that demonstrate that the intended use of zone benefits by the zone applicant is consistent with the Foreign-Trade Zones Act and desire "to expedite and encourage the foreign commerce" of the United States.

# **GRANTEE FEES**

**Application Processing Fee:** \$500.00

**Annual Fee:** 

General Purpose Zone Operators:

Zone Operator utilized activated space

\$0.20 per square foot of activated space, with the *maximum fee* of \$20,000 per year and the *minimum fee* 

of \$4,000 per year.

*Subzone Operators:* \$20,000 per year.

**De-Activation Fee**: \$500.00