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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Foreign-Trade Zones Board
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Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 226 – Merced County, California
Notification of Proposed Production Activity
Brake Parts Inc
(Automotive Parts Kitting)
Patterson, California

Brake Parts Inc (BPI) submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facility in Patterson, California, within FTZ 226. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on November 30, 2016.

The BPI facility is located within Site 14 of FTZ 226. The facility is used for the kitting of aftermarket automotive parts. Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), FTZ activity would be limited to the specific foreign-status materials and components and specific finished products described in the submitted notification (as described below) and subsequently authorized by the FTZ Board.

Production under FTZ procedures could exempt BPI from customs duty payments on the foreign-status components used in export production. On its domestic sales, BPI would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to master cylinder kits, brake drum kits, brake pad kits, brake shoe kits and brake caliper kits (duty rate ranges from free to 2.5%) for the foreign-status inputs noted below. Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign-status production equipment.

The components and materials sourced from abroad include: rubber O-rings; rubber seals; rubber brake components; paperboard corrugated boxes; steel hex bolts; steel bolts; steel brake clips; galvanized cast iron brake brackets; master cylinders; brake drums; brake pads; brake shoes; and, wheel cylinders (duty rate ranges from free to 2.5%).

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is **[INSERT DATE 40 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 21013, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230-0002, and in the "Reading Room" section of the Board's website, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

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Executive Secretary

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