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Mr. Andrew McGilvray
Executive Secretary
Foreign-Trade Zones Board
U.S. Department of Commerce,
FCB - Suite 4100W
1401 Constitution Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20230

Subject: Application for Alternate Site Framework

Dear Mr. McGilvray:

The Port Everglades Department of Broward County, Florida, as Grantee/ Operator of Foreign-Trade Zone No. 25, hereby formally requests approval of an Application for Reorganization under the Alternative Site Framework (ASF).

The designated general-purpose sites of our foreign-trade zone (FTZ) presently consist of approximately 388 acres of land area. The improved facilities on these sites, many of which are activated, continue to be at nearly 100% occupancy and are currently being productively utilized in FTZ activity. Along with the activity of our five operational special-purpose subzones (Subzones 25B, 25C, 25D, 25E, and 25F), our foreign-trade zone continues to experience dynamic growth.

In anticipation of continued demand and future growth, and in order to timely accommodate the modern business needs of our current and potential FTZ users, it is essential that FTZ#25 be able to utilize the ASF operating model.

Our application for ASF is submitted to meet our long-range objective of maximizing the ease of access and efficient utilization of FTZ benefits. The need for a streamlined ability to add/delete/modify sites in FTZ#25 is supported by the fact that most of the areas added to our FTZ under the Traditional Site Framework are currently activated and/or have potential for utilization.

Our Application is an extension of the continued effort by civic leaders to increase employment opportunities and investment in the region. Approval of our request for ASF will be an important factor in the County's ongoing program to attract new industry and to encourage expansion of existing industry in Broward County. As is consistent with the foreign-trade zone objectives, a considerable amount of our current activity involves the re-export and distribution of goods to foreign destinations.

Enclosed is the original of our Application for Reorganization under the Alternative Site Framework, along with copies, for your consideration. Broward County, Florida, would appreciate favorable consideration of the Application in view of the continuing need for available foreign-trade zone space. Thank you for your past cooperation and assistance and we look forward to cooperating with your office in the future. If you have questions regarding the application, please contact Robert C. Jacob, Jr., Foreign-Trade Zone Operator, at (954) 468-0214, or through E-mail at rjacob@broward.org.

Sincerely,

Steven M. Cernak, P.E., PPM
Chief Executive & Port Director

Enclosure