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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

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Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 216; Authorization of Production Activity; Essex Laboratories LLC; (Mint Oil Blends); Chehalis, Washington

On February 18, 2026, the Port of Olympia, grantee of FTZ 216, submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board on behalf of Essex Laboratories, within FTZ 216, in Chehalis, Washington.

The notification was processed in accordance with the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR part 400), including notice in the *Federal Register* inviting public comment (91 FR 8406, February 23, 2026). On November 5, 2026, the applicant was notified of the FTZ Board's decision that no further review of the activity is warranted at this time. The production activity described in the notification was authorized on a limited basis, subject to the FTZ Act and the FTZ Board's regulations, including section 400.14, and further subject to quantitative limits on the admission of foreign status Mentha Piperita Oil, Mentha Spearmint Oil, and Mentha Arvensis Oil. The annual quantitative limit for foreign status Mentha Piperita Oil will be equal to one-fifth the number of U.S.-origin sourced Mentha Piperita Oil. The annual quantitative limit for foreign status Mentha Spearmint Oil and Mentha Arvensis will be 45,000 kgs, and 4,000 kgs respectively. Essex must provide a single report within one year of approval

documenting its foreign and domestic sourcing of these components. If Essex fails to provide this report, the FTZ Board should review the authorization for the importation of the components.

Dated: November 5, 2026.

Colin Agostisi,

Executive Secretary.

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