

Signed at Washington, DC this 4th day of November, 1999.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Investigations Regarding Certifications of Eligibility To Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance

Petitions have been filed with the Secretary of Labor under Section 221(a) of the Trade Act of 1974 ("the Act") and are identified in the Appendix to this

notice. Upon receipt of these petitions, the Director of the Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, Employment and Training Administration, has instituted investigations pursuant to Section 221(a) of the Act.

The purpose of each of the investigations is to determine whether the workers are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Title II, Chapter 2, of the Act. The investigations will further relate, as appropriate, to the determination of the data on which total or partial separations began or threatened to begin and the subdivision of the firm involved.

The petitioners or any other persons showing a substantial interest in the subject matter of the investigations may request a public hearing, provided such request is filed in writing with the

Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than December 3, 1999.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments regarding the subject matter of the investigations to the Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than December 3, 1999.

The petitions filed in this case are available for inspection at the Office of the Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20210.

Signed at Washington, DC this 1st day of November, 1999.

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APPENDIX

[Petitions instituted on 11/01/1999]

TA-W	Subject firm (petitioners)	Location	Date of petition	Product(s)
37,002	Sparrow Blouse Co., (UNITE)	Nazareth, PA	10/14/1999	Athletic Sportswear.
37,003	Oxford of Monroe, (Comp)	Monroe, GA	10/19/1999	Men's Slacks.
37,004	Chester County Sportswear (Comp)	Henderson, TN	10/15/1999	Men's and Ladies' Slacks.
37,005	Crowley Garment Mfg Co. (UNITE)	Crowley, LA	10/17/1999	Men's and Boys' Trousers.
37,006	Kim Michaels, Inc (Wkrs)	Hammonton, NJ	10/12/1999	Ladies' Skirts.
37,007	Metlakatla Forest Prod. (Comp)	Metlakatla, AK	10/07/1999	Dimensional Lumber.
37,008	Elsie Undergarment Corp. (Wkrs)	Hialeah, FL	10/05/1999	Slips, Sport Briefs, Panties.
37,009	Ref-Chem Corp (Comp)	Odessa, TX	10/18/1999	Engineering and Design for Petroleum.
37,010	Raytheon Systems Corp. (Wkrs)	Orangeburg, SC	10/11/1999	Electronic Assemblies for Radar.
37,011	Cooper Energy Service (Wkrs)	Grove City, PA	10/13/1999	Pistons.
37,012	Townwear Garment Co., Inc. (Comp)	Blairsville, GA	10/20/1999	Assembled Garments.
37,013	William F. Groce, Inc (Wkrs)	Selinsgrove, PA	10/18/1999	Silk and Synthetic Yarn.
37,014	John H. Montgomery (Wkrs)	Spartanburg, SC	10/20/1999	Greige Fabric.
37,015	Forester, Inc., Diamond (Comp)	Strong, ME	10/20/1999	Wood Clothes Pins.
37,016	Deluxe Corp (Wkrs)	Springfield, MA	10/07/1999	Bank Checks.
37,017	Hilton Corporate Casuals (Wkrs)	Camden, AL	10/21/1999	Shirts and Blouses.
37,018	Lovington Manufacturing (Wkrs)	Harrisonburg, VA	10/20/1999	Children's Clothing.
37,019	Thomas MWD (Wkrs)	New Iberia, LA	10/22/1999	Oil Drilling Services.
37,020	Motorola Cable Products (Comp)	Mansfield, MA	10/18/1999	Cables.
37,021	Endrill Corp/Endrill Mud (Comp)	Tuscola, TX	10/20/1999	Oil and Gas Services.
37,022	Mark Twain Apparel (Wkrs)	Jamestown, TN	10/13/1999	Ladies' Blouses.
37,023	Cerplex Group (Wkrs)	Corvallis, OR	10/21/1999	Hewlett Packard Printers.
37,024	Napier Co. (Wkrs)	Meriden, CT	10/22/1999	Costume Jewelry.
37,025	Exxon Corp. (Wkrs)	Irving, TX	10/20/1999	Oil and Gas.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-36,563, et al.]

Walls Industries, Inc., Merkel Walls Industries, Merkel, TX, et al.; Amended Certification Regarding Eligibility To Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance

In accordance with Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2273) the Department of Labor issued a Certification of Eligibility to Apply for

Worker Adjustment Assistance on July 23, 1999, applicable to workers of Walls Industries, Inc., Merkel Walls Industries, Merkel, Texas. The notice was published in the **Federal Register** on September 29, 1999 (64 FR 52540).

At the request of the company, the Department reviewed the certification for workers of the subject firm. New information shows that worker separations occurred at the subject firms' Big Smith Division, Miami, Oklahoma location and the Cutting Department, Sweetwater, Texas when they closed in October, 1999. Workers at the Big Smith Division, Miami,

Oklahoma location were engaged in the production of insulated clothing. Workers employed in the Cutting Department at Sweetwater Walls Industries, Sweetwater, Texas performed cutting operations for the subject firm. Based on these new findings, the Department is amending the certification to cover workers at the Big Smith Division, Miami, Oklahoma and the Cutting Department, Sweetwater, Texas locations.

The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers of Walls Industries, Inc. adversely affected by increased imports.

The amended notice applicable to TA-W-36,563 is hereby issued as follows:

All workers of Walls Industries, Inc., Merkel Walls Industries, Merkel, Texas (TA-W-36,563), Big Smith Division, Miami, Oklahoma (TA-W-36,563B) and Sweetwater Walls Industries, Inc., Cutting Department, Sweetwater, Texas (TA-W-36,563C) who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after July 6, 1998 through July 23, 2001 are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed at Washington, DC this 10th day of November, 1999.

Grant D. Beale,

Program Manager, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-36,481]

Wyman-Gordon Forgings, Houston, TX; Notice of Revised Determination on Reconsideration

By letter dated September 7, 1999, the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, AFL-CIO (IAM), South Texas District Lodge 37, requested administrative reconsideration of the Department's negative determination applicable to workers of the subject firm.

The initial investigation resulted in a negative determination issued on July 30, 1999, based on the finding that criteria (2) and (3) of the group eligibility requirements of Section 222 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, were not met for workers of Wyman-Gordon Forgings, Houston, Texas, engaged in employment related to the production of aerospace forgings and extruded products. The denial notice was published in the **Federal Register** on September 29, 1999 (64 FR 52539).

The IAM asserts that the petition was filed for workers engaged employment related to the work and the associated machinery being sent to Mexico from Houston, specifically part numbers 732, 733 and 734 discs which were high volume items produced at the subject firm plant.

The Department has obtained new evidence showing that the sales of aerospace products at the Houston plant have declined. Other new findings on reconsideration show that the production of aerospace products shifted from the subject firm plant in Houston are being imported to the United States.

The IAM did not present evidence that disputes the Department's finding that increased imports of articles like or directly competitive with extruded products produced by the workers of the subject firm contributed to worker separations.

The workers producing aerospace and extruded products are separately identifiable.

Conclusion

After careful review of the additional facts obtained on reconsideration. I conclude that increased imports of aerospace products contributed importantly to the declines in sales or production and to the total or partial separation of workers of Wyman-Gordon Forgings, Houston, Texas. In accordance with the provisions of the Act. I make the following determination:

All workers of Wyman-Gordon Forgings, Houston, Texas, engaged in employment related to the production of aerospace products, who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after June 7, 1998 through two years from the date of this certification are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974, and

I further determine that after reconsideration. I affirm the original notice of negative determination of eligibility to apply for adjustment assistance for workers and former workers engaged in employment related to extruded products at Wyman-Gordon Forgings, Houston, Texas.

Signed at Washington, DC this 15th day of November 1999.

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Program Manager, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[NAFTA-03069; et al.]

Crescent/U.S. Mat, LLC, Art Advantage Division, Hot Springs Plant, Hot Springs, SD, et al.; Amended Certification Regarding Eligibility To Apply for NAFTA Transitional Adjustment Assistance

In accordance with Section 250(a), Subchapter 2, Title II, of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (19 U.S.C. 2273), the Department of Labor issued a Certification of Eligibility to Apply for NAFTA Transitional Adjustment Assistance on April 12, 1999, applicable to workers of Crescent/U.S. Mat, LLC, Art Advantage Division, Hot Springs Plant, Hot Springs, South Dakota. The notice was published in the **Federal Register** on May 11, 1999 (64 FR 25374).

At the request of the State agency, the Department reviewed the certification for workers at the subject firm. New findings show that worker separations will occur at the Rapid City Administrative Offices and Warehouse, Rapid City, South Dakota location of Crescent/U.S. Mat, LLC, Art Advantage Division, when it closes in December 1999. The Rapid City, South Dakota location is the administrative offices and warehouse for the subject firms' production facility in Hot Springs, South Dakota which closed in August 1999. The workers were engaged in the production of pre-cut picture frame mats.

The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers of Crescent/U.S. Mat LLC adversely affected by imports from Mexico.

Accordingly, the Department is amending the certification to cover workers at Crescent/U.S. Mat, LLC, Rapid City Administrative Offices and Warehouse, Rapid City, South Dakota.

The amended notice applicable to NAFTA-03069 is hereby issued as follows:

All workers of Crescent/U.S. Mat, Hot Springs Plant, Hot Springs, South Dakota (NAFTA-03069) and Rapid City Administrative Offices and Warehouse, Rapid City, South Dakota (NAFTA-03069A) who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after March 30, 1998 through April 12, 2001 are eligible to apply for NAFTA-TAA under Section 250 of the Trade Act of 1974.