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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment and Training Administration

[Docket No. TA-W-37,833]

#### PED Oil Corporation Midland, TX; Termination of Investigation

Pursuant to Section 221 of the Trade Act of 1974, an investigation was initiated on July 3, 2000, in response to a worker petition which was filed on behalf of a worker at PED Oil Corporation, Midland, Texas.

The petitioner has requested that the petition be withdrawn. Consequently, further investigation in this case would serve no purpose, and the investigation has been terminated.

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-37,904]

#### Staffing Solutions Colorado Springs, CO; Termination of Investigation

Pursuant to Section 221 of the Trade Act of 1974, an investigation was initiated on July 24, 2000 in response to a worker petition which was filed on behalf of workers at Staffing Solutions, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

An active certification covering the petitioning group of workers is already in effect (TA-W-37,482E, as amended). Consequently, further investigation in this case would serve no purpose, and the investigation has been terminated.

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment and Training Administration

#### Federal-State Unemployment Compensation Program: Availability of Benefit Accuracy Measurement Program Results

**AGENCY:** Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of the Unemployment Insurance (UI) Benefit Accuracy Measurement (BAM) program data for calendar year (CY) 1999.

**SUMMARY:** UI BAM program data for CY 1999 are published as part of the UI PERFORMS Annual Report, which also includes data from the Benefit Timeliness and Quality and Tax Performance System programs. UI PERFORMS is the Department of Labor's management system for promoting continuous improvement in UI performance.

**DATES:** The CY 1999 UI PERFORMS Annual Report will be available by August 31, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** The CY 1999 UI PERFORMS Annual Report, including State narratives, is posted on the Office of Workforce Security Internet site—<http://workforcsecurity.doleta.gov>. Printed versions of the report are available through the National Technical Information Service (NTIS)—<http://www.ntis.gov>. Orders through the NTIS may be placed by telephone (1-800-553-NTIS (6847) or 703-605-6000), fax (703-605-6900), e-mail ([orders@ntis.fedworld.gov](mailto:orders@ntis.fedworld.gov)), or mail (NTIS, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, Virginia 22161). The printed version will not include State narratives.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Each State's Employment Security Agency selects weekly random samples of UI benefit payments. The BAM program staff collects information about these payments by contacting claimants, employers, and third parties to determine whether the correct amounts of UI benefits were paid in accordance with State law, policy, and procedure. The results of the payment audits are recorded in electronic databases in each State and in the Department of Labor's National Office in Washington, DC.

The Department of Labor publishes results from the investigations for the 52

jurisdictions participating in the UI BAM program. Five items are reported for each State: (1) The amount of UI benefits paid to the population of claimants; (2) the size of the BAM samples (number of completed cases); and (3) the percentages of proper payments, (4) overpayments, and (5) underpayments in the population estimated from the BAM investigations. Ninety-five percent confidence intervals are presented for each of the three percentages as measures of the precision of the estimates. States may provide narratives to comment on or to clarify the meaning of the data.

The CY 1999 UI PERFORMS Annual Report also includes background information and the data collection methodology for the BAM program. Graphs that display the distribution of overpayment rates for all States, national overpayment rates by year, and national cause and responsibility data for overpayments for the last five years are also provided.

Readers are strongly cautioned that it may be misleading to compare one State's BAM overpayment and underpayment rates with the rates of other States. No two States' written laws, regulations, and policies specifying eligibility conditions are identical. Differences among States in these conditions influence the potential for error. For example, States with stringent, complex provisions will tend to have higher overpayment rates than those with simpler, more straightforward provisions. No performance standards for UI benefit accuracy have been established.

States are not required to publish their BAM program data; however, persons wanting clarification or additional information concerning a specific State's report are encouraged to contact the individuals identified in the following list.

Signed at Washington, D.C., on 2000.

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR****Employment and Training Administration****[NAFTA-04028]****Charles Craft, Incorporated, Wadesboro, North Carolina; Termination of Investigation**

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