

At least three workers at the firm are age 50 or over and possess skills that are not easily transferable. Competitive conditions within the industry are adverse.

Conclusion

After careful review of the additional facts obtained on reconsideration, I conclude that likely increase in imports of articles like or directly competitive with those produced at Alfmeier Corporation, Seating Comfort Systems, a subsidiary of Alfmeier Prazision, Dandridge, Tennessee, contributed importantly to the declines in sales or production and to the total or partial separation of workers at the subject firm. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, I make the following certification:

All workers of Alfmeier Corporation, Seating Comfort Systems, a subsidiary of Alfmeier Prazision, Dandridge, Tennessee, who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after November 19, 2002, 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 are eligible to apply for alternative trade adjustment assistance under section 246 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed in Washington, DC this 19th day of February, 2004.

Elliott S. Kushner,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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[TA-W-54,068]

American Lock Co., Crete, IL; Notice of Termination of Investigation

Pursuant to section 221 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, an investigation was initiated on January 23, 2004, in response to a petition filed by the company on behalf of workers at American Lock Company, Crete, Illinois.

The petitioner has requested that the petition be withdrawn.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.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 17th day of February, 2004.

Elliott S. Kushner,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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[TA-W-54,189]

Bloomsburg Mills, Inc., Bloomsburg, PA; Notice of Termination of Investigation

Pursuant to section 221 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, an investigation was initiated on February 6, 2004, in response to a petition filed by a company official on behalf of workers at Bloomsburg Mills, Inc., Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania.

The petitioner has requested that the petition be withdrawn. Consequently, the investigation has been terminated.

Signed in Washington, DC this 12th day of February, 2004.

Linda G. Poole,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-54,065]

Bremner Incorporated, Ripon, WI; Notice of Termination of Investigation

Pursuant to section 221 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, an investigation was initiated on January 22, 2004 in response to a petition filed on behalf of workers at Bremner Incorporated, Ripon, Wisconsin.

The petitioner has requested that the petition be withdrawn. Consequently, the investigation has been terminated.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 9th day of February 2004.

Linda G. Poole,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-53,023]

Cardinal Glass Industries, Inc. Sextonville, Wisconsin; Notice of Negative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration

On January 29, 2004, the Department issued an Affirmative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration for the workers and former workers of the subject firm. The notice was published in the **Federal Register** on February 11, 2004 (69 FR 6693).

The Department initially denied TAA to workers of Cardinal Glass Industries, Inc. because the "contributed importantly" group eligibility requirement of Section 222(3) of the Trade Act of 1974 was not met. The company did not import glass handling equipment in the relevant period nor did it shift production of glass handling equipment to a foreign country. The investigation revealed that the cause of the worker separations was a domestic shift of production.

The company official who filed the reconsideration request alleges that, in order to remain competitive with foreign suppliers of glass, the company was forced to keep the prices of glass at the same level for the last twenty years and that the glass production declines are attributed to foreign competition. The official further states that, the Sextonville facility was not efficient enough in both production speed and quality to meet competitive forces; however it was an integral part in the selling of glass products.

Contact with another company official at the headquarters of Cardinal FG confirmed what had been established in the initial investigation, which was that workers of the subject firm produced glass handling equipment and their separations were predominantly caused by a shift of production from the Sextonville, Wisconsin facility to a newly built domestic site at Spring Green, Wisconsin. The official further stated that production at the new facility will be of an equal or greater value to that produced by the subject firm.

In order to establish import impact, the Department must consider imports that are like or directly competitive with those produced at the subject firm. As the majority of the production of glass handling equipment was used to supply internal demand, and the company reported no imports, there is no

evidence of import impact in regard to this product in conjunction with an assessment of eligibility for affected workers at the subject plant.

The petitioner states that the glass handling equipment produced by the subject firm has been displaced as a result of an increase in imports of glass and mentions a new glass plant going into production in Mexico in the next month.

As noted above, the Department considers imports of like or directly competitive products (in this case, glass handling equipment, as the initial investigation established that layoffs are predominantly attributable to the domestic shift of production) when conducting TAA investigations. Thus, although the products produced by the subject firm workers may be indirectly import impacted, the import impact of glass is not relevant to an investigation of eligibility for trade adjustment assistance on behalf of subject firm workers producing glass handling equipment.

The review of the initial investigation revealed that the Department erred in its description of the subject firm's product during the customer survey, thus purchases of glass were surveyed instead of glass handling equipment. Further contact with the company official revealed that major customers of the subject firm are all internal Cardinal Glass Industries, Inc. glass processing plants. It was found that these customers do not import glass handling equipment.

The investigation further revealed that none of the Cardinal Glass Industries, Inc. facilities are under an existing Trade Adjustment Assistance certification.

Conclusion

After review of the application and investigative findings, I conclude that there has been no error or misinterpretation of the law or of the facts which would justify reconsideration of the Department of Labor's prior decision. Accordingly, the application is denied.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 20th day of February, 2004.

Elliott S. Kushner,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-54,197]

Electric Motor Repair Center, Shelby, NC; Notice of Termination of Investigation

Pursuant to section 221 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, an investigation was initiated on February 6, 2004, in response to a worker petition filed by a company official on behalf of workers of Electric Motor Repair Center, Shelby, North Carolina.

The investigation revealed that the subject firm did not separate or threaten to separate a significant number or proportion of workers as required by section 222 of the Trade act of 1974. Significant number or proportion of the workers means that at least three workers in a firm with a workforce of fewer than 50 workers would have to be affected. Separations by the subject firm did not meet this threshold level; consequently, the investigation has been terminated.

Signed in Washington, DC this 13th day of February, 2004.

Richard Church,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment And Training Administration

[TA-W-53,647]

Gates Corporation, Air Springs Division, Including Leased Workers of Manpower and JRC Quality Systems, LLC, Denver, Colorado; Amended Certification Regarding Eligibility To Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance and Alternative Trade 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 and Alternative Trade Adjustment Assistance on December 15, 2003, applicable to workers of Gates Corporation, Air Springs Division, including temporary workers of Manpower, Denver, Colorado. The notice was published in the **Federal Register** on January 16, 2004 (69 FR 2624).

At the request of the petitioners, the Department reviewed the certification for workers of the subject firm. New information shows that leased workers of JRC Quality Systems, LLC were employed at Gates Corporation, Air Springs Division at the Denver, Colorado location of the subject firm.

Based on these findings, the Department is amending this certification to include leased workers of JRC Quality Systems, LLC working at Gates Corporation, Air Springs Division, Denver, Colorado.

The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers employed at Gates Corporation, Air Springs Division Trends Clothing Corporation, a.k.a. Trends International, who were adversely affected by a shift in production to Mexico.

The amended notice applicable to TA-W-53,647 is hereby issued as follows:

All workers of Gates Corporation, Air Springs Division, including leased workers of Manpower and JRC Quality Systems, LLC, Denver, Colorado, who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after November 24, 2002, through December 15, 2005, are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974, and are also eligible to apply for alternative trade adjustment assistance under section 246 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed in Washington, DC this 17th day of February, 2004.

Linda G. Poole,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-54,193]

Gates Corporation, Air Springs Division, Denver, Colorado; Notice of Termination of Investigation

Pursuant to Section 221 of the Trade Act of 1974, an investigation was initiated on February 6, 2004 in response to a worker petition which was filed on behalf of workers at Gates Corporation, Air Springs Division, Denver, Colorado.

An active certification covering the petitioning group of workers is already in effect (TA-W-53,647, as amended). Consequently, further investigation in this case would serve no purpose, and the investigation has been terminated.