

assistance (TA-W-39,329) was amended on January 15, 2002, to include the workers of DyStar LP, Corporate Office, Charlotte, North Carolina (TA-W-39,329A), who provided administrative support services for the production of textile reactive dyes. The notice of the amended certification was published in the **Federal Register** on February 5, 2002 (67 FR 5295). That amended certification expired on December 7, 2003.

To avoid an overlap in worker group coverage, the amended certification for TA-W-40,717A is again being amended to change the impact date from January 9, 2001, to December 8, 2003.

The amended notice applicable to TA-W-40,717A is hereby issued as follows:

All workers of DyStar LP, Corporate Office, Charlotte, North Carolina, who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after December 8, 2003, through May 6, 2004, are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed in Washington, DC, this 5th day of May, 2004.

Linda G. Poole,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-54,221]

Greif Brothers Service Corporation Industrial Packaging and Service Division Kingsport, TN; Dismissal of Application for Reconsideration

Pursuant to 29 CFR 90.18(C) an application for administrative reconsideration was filed with the Director of the Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance for workers at Greif Brothers Service Corporation, Industrial Packaging and Service Division, Kingsport, Tennessee. The application contained no new substantial information which would bear importantly on the Department's determination. Therefore, dismissal of the application was issued.

TA-W-54,221; Greif Brothers Service Corporation Industrial Packaging and Service Division Kingsport, Tennessee (May 7, 2004)

Signed at Washington, DC this 13th day of May 2004.

Timothy Sullivan,

Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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[TA-W-54 569]

Honeywell Aerospace, Inconel Team, a Division of the Engine Systems and Accessories Division, a Division of Honeywell, Tempe, AZ; Notice of Termination of Investigation

Pursuant to section 221 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, an investigation was initiated on March 23, 2004, in response to a worker petition filed a state agency representative on behalf of workers at Honeywell Aerospace, Inconel Team, a division of the Engine Systems and Accessories Division, a division of Honeywell, Tempe, Arizona.

All workers were separated from the subject firm more than one year before the date of the petition. Section 223(b) of the Act specifies that no certification may apply to any worker whose last separation occurred more than one year before the date of the petition. Consequently, further investigation in this case would serve no purpose, and the investigation has been terminated.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 29th day of April, 2004.

Richard Church,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-54 086]

Loislaw.Com, Inc., Van Buren, AR; Notice of Negative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration

By application postmarked March 5, 2004, a petitioner requested administrative reconsideration of the Department's negative determination regarding eligibility for workers and former workers of the subject firm to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA). The denial notice applicable to

workers of Loislaw.com, Inc., Van Buren, Arkansas was signed on February 9, 2004, and published in the **Federal Register** on March 12, 2004 (69 FR 11888).

Pursuant to 29 CFR 90.18(c) reconsideration may be granted under the following circumstances:

(1) If it appears on the basis of facts not previously considered that the determination complained of was erroneous;

(2) If it appears that the determination complained of was based on a mistake in the determination of facts not previously considered; or

(3) If in the opinion of the Certifying Officer, a mis-interpretation of facts or of the law justified reconsideration of the decision.

The TAA petition was filed on behalf of workers at Loislaw.com, Inc., Van Buren, Arkansas engaged in data entry by digitizing existing public records and making them accessible in an on-line database. The petition was denied because the petitioning workers did not produce an article within the meaning of section 222 of the Act.

The petitioner contends that the Department erred in its interpretation of work performed at the subject facility as a service and further described the functions performed by workers of the subject firm, which consist of editing, coding, quality control and building of the legal material to the internet and CD-ROM. The petitioner further states that edited material put on CD-ROM and the Internet for further consumption by the paying public is a commodity of convenience for the legal profession and should be considered a product.

A company official was contacted for clarification in regard to the nature of the work performed at the subject facility. The official stated that workers at the subject firm are engaged in publishing and collection of electronic and print legal and public records data, which is further digitized into a proprietary format. The official further clarified that only a small portion of the databases are distributed via CD-ROM, with the vast majority of the database customers receiving the edited and digitized data over the internet. According to the company official the burning process of the data on CD-ROM is performed at the subject facility in Van Buren, Arkansas.

The sophistication of the work involved is not an issue in ascertaining whether the petitioning workers are eligible for trade adjustment assistance, but rather only whether they produced an article within the meaning of section 222 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Data collection, editing and coding are not considered production of an article within the meaning of section 222 of the Trade Act. Petitioning workers do not produce an "article" within the meaning of the Trade Act of 1974. Formatted electronic databases and codes are not tangible commodities, that is, marketable products, and they are not listed on the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS), as classified by the United States International Trade Commission (USITC), Office of Tariff Affairs and Trade Agreements, which describes articles imported to the United States.

To be listed in the HTS, an article would be subject to a duty on the tariff schedule and have a value that makes it marketable, fungible and interchangeable for commercial purposes. Although a wide variety of tangible products are described as articles and characterized as dutiable in the HTS, informational products that could historically be sent in letter form and that can currently be electronically transmitted, are not listed in the HTS. Such products are not the type of products that customs officials inspect and that the TAA program was generally designed to address.

The petitioner also alleges that imports caused layoffs, asserting that because workers lost their jobs due to a transfer of job functions to India, petitioning workers should be considered import impacted.

The company official stated that for a number of years, Loislaw.com has utilized outside vendors to edit the material in India. However, the edited documents are returned to Loislaw.com to the Van Buren, Arkansas facility via electronic copies through the Internet for further control checks in order to be distributed to customers via the Internet or copied and distributed on CD-ROMs. Informational material that is electronically transmitted is not considered production within the context of TAA eligibility requirements, so there are no imports of products in this instance. Further, as the edited material does not become a product until it is recorded on media device, there was no shift in production of an "article" within the meaning of the Trade Act of 1974.

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 12th day of May, 2004.

Linda G. Poole,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Notice of Determinations Regarding Eligibility To Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance

In accordance with section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, (19 U.S.C. 2273), the Department of Labor herein presents summaries of determinations regarding eligibility to apply for trade adjustment assistance for workers (TA-W) number and alternative trade adjustment assistance (ATAA) by (TA-W) number issued during the periods of March and April 2004.

In order for an affirmative determination to be made and a certification of eligibility to apply for directly-impacted (primary) worker adjustment assistance to be issued, each of the group eligibility requirements of section 222(a) of the Act must be met.

I. Section (a)(2)(A) all of the following must be satisfied:

A. A significant number or proportion of the workers in such workers' firm, or an appropriate subdivision of the firm, have become totally or partially separated, or are threatened to become totally or partially separated;

B. The sales or production, or both, of such firm or subdivision have decreased absolutely; and

C. Increased imports of articles like or directly competitive with articles produced by such firm or subdivision have contributed importantly to such workers' separation or threat of separation and to the decline in sales or production of such firm or subdivision; or

II. Section (a)(2)(B) both of the following must be satisfied:

A. A significant number or proportion of the workers in such workers' firm, or an appropriate subdivision of the firm, have become totally or partially separated, or are threatened to become totally or partially separated;

B. There has been a shift in production by such workers' firm or subdivision to a foreign country of articles like or directly competitive with articles which are produced by such firm or subdivision; and

C. One of the following must be satisfied:

1. The country to which the workers' firm has shifted production of the articles is a party to a free trade agreement with the United States;

2. The country to which the workers' firm has shifted production of the articles to a beneficiary country under the Andean Trade Preference Act, African Growth and Opportunity Act, or the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act; or

3. There has been or is likely to be an increase in imports of articles that are like or directly competitive with articles which are or were produced by such firm or subdivision.

Also, in order for an affirmative determination to be made and a certification of eligibility to apply for worker adjustment assistance as an adversely affected secondary group to be issued, each of the group eligibility requirements of section 222(b) of the Act must be met.

(1) Significant number or proportion of the workers in the workers' firm or an appropriate subdivision of the firm have become totally or partially separated, or are threatened to become totally or partially separated;

(2) The workers' firm (or subdivision) is a supplier or downstream producer to a firm (or subdivision) that employed a group of workers who received a certification of eligibility to apply for trade adjustment assistance benefits and such supply or production is related to the article that was the basis for such certification; and

(3) Either—

(A) The workers' firm is a supplier and the component parts it supplied for the firm (or subdivision) described in paragraph (2) accounted for at least 20 percent of the production or sales of the workers' firm; or

(B) A loss or business by the workers' firm with the firm (or subdivision) described in paragraph (2) contributed importantly to the workers' separation or threat of separation.

Negative Determinations for Worker Adjustment Assistance

In the following cases, the investigation revealed that the criteria for eligibility have not been met for the reasons specified.

The investigation revealed that criteria (a)(2)(A)(I.C.) (increased imports) and (a)(2)(B)(II.B) (no shift in production to a foreign country) have not been met.

TA-W-54,448; *Methode Electronics, Inc., Automotive Electronic Controls Div., Golden, IL*
TA-W-53,924; *National Carbide Die, McKeesport, PA*