

**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR****Labor Advisory Committee for Trade Negotiations and Trade Policy; Meeting Notice**

Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463 as amended), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Steering Subcommittee of the Labor Advisory Committee for Trade Negotiations and Trade Policy.

*Date, time and place:* November 13, 1997, 10:00 am, U.S. Department of Labor, Room S-5215 B&C, 200 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, D.C. 20210.

*Purpose:* The meeting will include a review and discussion of current issues which influence U.S. trade policy. Potential U.S. negotiating objectives and bargaining positions in current and anticipated trade negotiations will be discussed. Pursuant to section 9(B) of the Government in the Sunshine Act, 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(B) it has been determined that the meeting will be concerned with matters the disclosure of which would seriously compromise the Government's negotiating objectives or bargaining positions. Accordingly, the meeting will be closed to the public.

*For further information, contact:* Jorge Perez-Lopez, Director, Office of International Economic Affairs, Phone: (202) 219-7597.

Signed at Washington, D.C. this 1st day of November 1997.

**Andrew J. Samet,**

*Acting, Deputy Under Secretary, International Affairs.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR****Employment and Training Administration****Notice of Determinations Regarding Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance and NAFTA Transitional Adjustment Assistance**

In accordance with Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, the Department of Labor herein presents summaries of determinations regarding eligibility to apply for trade adjustment assistance for workers (TA-W) issued during the period of October, 1997.

In order for an affirmative determination to be made and a certification of eligibility to apply for worker adjustment assistance to be issued, each of the group eligibility requirements of Section 222 of the Act must be met.

(1) That a significant number of proportion of the workers in the workers' firm, or an appropriate subdivision thereof, have become totally or partially separated,

(2) That sales or production, or both, of the firm or sub-division have decreased absolutely, and

(3) That increases of imports of articles like or directly competitive with articles produced by the firm or appropriate subdivision have contributed importantly to the separations, or threat thereof, and to the absolute decline in sales or production.

**Negative Determinations for Worker Adjustment Assistance**

In each of the following cases the investigation revealed that criterion (3) has not been met. A survey of customers indicated that increased imports did not contribute importantly to worker separations at the firm.

TA-W-33, 766; *Versa Technologies, Inc., Moxness Products Div., Wausau, WI*

TA-W-33, 849; *California Curves, Inc., Temecula, CA*

TA-W-33, 725; *Stanwood Mills, Inc., Slatington, PA*

TA-W-33, 770; *Appleton Papers, Inc., Newton Falls, NY*

TA-W-33, 726 & A; *Thermal Engineering International, Joplin, MO and Pittsburg, KS*

TA-W-33, 681; *Elgin E<sup>2</sup>, Inc., Erie, PA*

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

TA-W-33, 894; *Payless Cashways, Inc., Wichita Falls, TX*

TA-W-33, 733; *Bethship, a Division of Bethlehem Steel Corp., Sparrows Point Yard, Sparrows Point, MD*

TA-W-33, 802; *ACER America Corp., Temple TX*

The workers firm does not produce an article as required for certification under Section 222 of the Trade Act of 1974.

TA-W-33, 716; *United Steering Systems, Grabill, IN*

The investigation revealed that criteria (2) has not been met. Sales or production did not decline during the relevant period as required for certification.

TA-W-33, 844; *Bose Corp., Westboro, MA*

Employment declines at the subject plant was caused by a transfer of production to other domestic locations. The company has experienced increasing corporate sales and employment during the relevant period.

TA-W-33, 889; *Elf Atochem, North America, Inc., Tacoma, WA*

TA-W-33, 885; *RG Thomas Corp., Palisades Park, NJ*

TA-W-33, 705; *DeLong Sportswear, Inc., Olney Div., Olney, TX*

TA-W-33, 571; *PCC Composites/Advanced Forming Technology, Pittsburgh, PA*

Increased imports did not contribute importantly to worker separations at the firm.

TA-W-33,852; *Kirsch, Inc., Sturgis, MI*

Separations at the subject firm were exclusively associated with a reduction in the number of employees needed to perform administrative functions. There were no layoffs of production workers at Kirsch, Inc., Sturgis, MI during the relevant period.

**Affirmative Determinations for Worker Adjustment Assistance**

The following certifications have been issued; the date following the company name & location for each determination references the impact date for all workers for such determination.

TA-W-33,846; *Kimberly-Clark Corp., Oconto Falls, WI: August 28, 1996.*

TA-W-33,804; *Prewash & Pressing Service, Inc., El Paso, TX: August 20, 1996.*

TA-W-33,876; *Jansport, Inc., Burlington, WA: September 22, 1996.*

TA-W-33,736; *Bassett Furniture Industries, Inc., Statesville, NC: August 6, 1996.*

TA-W-33,803; *Precise Polestar, Inc., Phillipsburg, PA: August 15, 1996.*

TA-W-33,814; *Bourns, Inc., Pressure Products Div., Riverside, CA: August 20, 1996.*

TA-W-33,637; *Universal-Rundle Corp., Hundo, TX: June 20, 1996.*

TA-W-33,798; *Concept Apparel 2000 (currently known as JC Jeans, Inc.), El Paso, TX: August 16, 1996.*

TA-W-33,653; *Anglo Fabrics Co., Inc., Webster, MA: June 26, 1996.*

TA-W-33,789; *Indian Valley Industries, Inc., Johnson City, NY: August 16, 1996.*

TA-W-33,847; *Simpson Industries, Inc., Gladwin, MI: September 16, 1996.*

TA-W-33,820; *Fisher Rosemount Petroleum, Statesboro, GA: August 20, 1996.*

TA-W-33,835; *Hillsboro Glass Co., Hillsboro, IL: September 2, 1996.*

TA-W-33,811; *Philips Technologies Airpax, Cambridge, MD: August 27, 1996.*

TA-W-33,855; *Nukote International, Inc., Franklin, TN: September 15, 1996.*

TA-W-33,861; *Posey Manufacturing Co., Hoquiam, WA: February 19, 1996.*

TA-W-33,800; *Milco Industries, Inc., Bloomsburg, PA: August 25, 1996.*

TA-W-33,751; *Malone Manufacturing, Malone, NY: August 7, 1996.*

TA-W-33,839; *Irwin Manufacturing Corp., Alma Div., Alma, GA*: August 1, 1996.

TA-W-33,854; *CAE Screenplates, Inc., Glens Falls, NY*: September 16, 1996.

TA-W-33,858; *Reed Manufacturing Co., Inc., Walnut, MS*: September 11, 1996.

TA-W-33,765; *Landis & Gyn Unilities Service, Inc., Lafayette, IN*: August 12, 1996.

TA-W-33,845; *Onan Corp., Huntsville, AL*: September 9, 1996.

TA-W-33,821; *Universal Friction Composites, Manheim, PA*: September 3, 1996.

TA-W-33,886; *Masterwear Corp., Lexington Apparel, Lexington, TN*: September 24, 1996.

TA-W-33,904; *Youngone America, Miami, FL*: September 10, 1996.

TA-W-33,903; *Taylor Togs, Inc., Micaville & Green Mountain, NC*: October 2, 1996.

Also, pursuant to Title V of the North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act (P.L. 103-182) concerning transitional adjustment assistance hereinafter called (NAFTA-TAA) and in accordance with Section 250(a) Subchapter D, Chapter 2, Title II, of the Trade Act as amended, the Department of Labor presents summaries of determinations regarding eligibility to apply for NAFTA-TAA issued during the month of October, 1997.

In order for an affirmative determination to be made and a certification of eligibility to apply for NAFTA-TAA the following group eligibility requirements of Section 250 of the Trade Act must be met:

(1) That a significant number or proportion of the workers in the workers' firm, or an appropriate subdivision thereof, (including workers in any agricultural firm or appropriate subdivision thereof) have become totally or partially separated from employment and either—

(2) That sales or production, or both, of such firm or subdivision have decreased absolutely,

(3) That imports from Mexico or Canada of articles like or directly competitive with articles produced by such firm or subdivision have increased, and that the increases in imports contributed importantly to such workers' separations or threat of separation and to the decline in sales or production of such firm or subdivision; or

(4) That there has been a shift in production by such workers' firm or subdivision to Mexico or Canada of

articles like or directly competitive with articles which are produced by the firm or subdivision.

#### Negative Determinations NAFTA-TAA

In each of the following cases the investigation revealed that criteria (3) and (4) were not met. Imports from Canada or Mexico did not contribute importantly to workers' separations. There was no shift in production from the subject firm to Canada or Mexico during the relevant period.

NAFTA-TAA-01761; *Big Lake Contractors, Inc., Belle Glade, FL*  
 NAFTA-TAA-01746; *Hundley Farms, Locahatchee, FL*  
 NAFTA-TAA-01774; *Petelaine, Inc., Loxahatchee, FL*  
 NAFTA-TAA-01722; *Sapp Arms, Inc., Homestead (Florida City, FL)*  
 NAFTA-TAA-01875; *Appleton Papers, Inc., Newton Falls, NY*  
 NAFTA-TAA-01784; *F & T Farms, Inc., Florida City, FL*  
 NAFTA-TAA-01756; *Seminole Farms, Clewiston, FL*  
 NAFTA-TAA-01759; *Flatland Harvesting, Indiantown, FL*  
 NAFTA-TAA-01842; *DeLong Sportswear, Inc., Olney Div., Olney, TX*  
 NAFTA-TAA-01708; *Joiner & Son Farms, Inc., Florida City, FL*  
 NAFTA-TAA-01861 & A; *Thermal Engineering International Joplin, MO and Pittsburg, KS*  
 NAFTA-TAA-01721; *DiMare Homestead, Inc., Florida City, FL*  
 NAFTA-TAA-01770; *Du Bois Farms, Boynton Beach, FL*  
 NAFTA-TAA-01949; *Elf Atochem North America, Inc., Tacoma, WA*  
 NAFTA-TAA-01826; *Elgin E<sup>2</sup>, Inc., Erie, PA*  
 NAFTA-TAA-01938; *California Curves, Inc., Temecula, CA*

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

NAFTA-TAA-01695; *Florida Fresh, Inc., Florida City, FL*.

Sales or production did not decline during the relevant period as required for certification.

#### Affirmative Determinations NAFTA-TAA

The following certifications have been issued; the date following the company name & location for each determination references the impact date for all workers for such determination.

NAFTA-TAA-01873; *Anglo Fabrics Co., Inc., Webster, MA*: July 30, 1996.  
 NAFTA-TAA-01947; *Simpson Industries, Inc., Gladwin, MI*: September 16, 1996.

NAFTA-TAA-01913; *Fisher-Rosemount Petroleum, Statesboro, GA*: August 20, 1996.

NAFTA-TAA-01920; *Hillsboro Glass Co., Hillsboro, IL*: September 2, 1996.

NAFTA-TAA-01916; *Irwin Manufacturing Corp., Alma Division, Alma, GA*: August 1, 1996.

NAFTA-TAA-01883; *Bassett Furniture Industries, Inc., Statesville, NC*: August 6, 1996.

NAFTA-TAA-01957; *Lees Manufacturing Co., Cannon Falls, MN*: October 9, 1996.

NAFTA-TAA-01945; *Simpson Industries, Jackson, MI*: September 24, 1996.

NAFTA-TAA-01935; *Jansport, Inc., Bayview Facility, Burlington, WA*: September 22, 1996.

NAFTA-TAA-01906; *Prewash & Pressing Services, Inc., EL Paso, TX*: August 29, 1996.

NAFTA-TAA-01857; *Onan Corp., Huntsville, AL*: July 28, 1996.

NAFTA-TAA-01933; *CAE Screenplates, Inc., Glens Falls, NY*: September 16, 1996.

NAFTA-TAA-01772; *Iori Farm, Homestead, FL*: March 28, 1996.

NAFTA-TAA-01953; *General Binding Corp., Velobind Div., Sparks, NE*: October 3, 1996.

NAFTA-TAA-01921; *Kimberly-Clark Corp., Oconto Falls, WI*: August 28, 1996.

NAFTA-TAA-01801; *Kimberly-Clark Corp., Marinette, WI*: July 4, 1996.

NAFTA-TAA-01892; *Standard Textile Co., Pridecraft Enterprises Div., Georgiana, AL*: August 18, 1996.

NAFTA-TAA-01934; *Great American Products, Inc., Broadview, IL*: September 11, 1996.

NAFTA-TAA-01968; *Frolic Footwear, Walnut Ridge, AR*: October 6, 1996.

NAFTA-TAA-01959; *Bourns, Inc., Pressure Products Div., Riverside, CA*: August 20, 1996.

NAFTA-TAA-01981; *Carolyn of Virginia, Inc., Bristol, VA*: October 20, 1996.

NAFTA-TAA-01973; *Oneita Industries, Inc., Fayette Apparel Plant, Fayette, AL*: October 7, 1996.

NAFTA-TAA-01854; *Tuscarora, Inc., Martinville, IN*: July 31, 1996.

NAFTA-TAA-01891; *Standard Textile Co., Inc., Pridecraft Enterprises Div., Forsyth, GA*: August 18, 1996.

I hereby certify that the aforementioned determinations were issued during the month of October, 1997. Copies of these determinations are available for inspection in Room C-4318, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.,

Washington, D.C. 20210 during normal business hours or will be mailed to persons who write to the above address.

Dated: November 3, 1997.

**Grant D. Beale,**

*Acting Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-33,526]

#### Baroid Drilling Fluids, Incorporated, A Subsidiary of Cimbar Performance Minerals, Potosi, Missouri; Notice of Termination of Investigation

Pursuant to Section 221 of the Trade Act of 1974, an investigation was initiated on June 2, 1997 in response to a worker petition which was filed on May 19, 1997 on behalf of workers at Baroid Drilling Fluids, Incorporated in Potosi, Missouri.

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 in Washington, D. C. this 28th day of October, 1997.

**Grant D. Beale,**

*Acting Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.*

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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 Acting 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 date 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 Acting Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than November 17, 1997.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments regarding the subject matter of the investigations to the Acting Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than November 17, 1997.

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

Signed at Washington, D.C. this 20th day of October, 1997.

**Grant D. Beale,**

*Acting Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.*

## APPENDIX

[Petitions Instituted on 10/20/97]

TA-W	Subject firm (petitioners)	Location	Date of petition	Product(s)
33,906	..... Sunbeam Corp. (Wrks)	Shubuta, MS	10/02/97	Weighing Scales.
33,907	..... Textron Automotive (Wrks)	Dover, NH	10/02/97	Automotive Armrests, Glovebox Doors.
33,908	..... Tennessee River, Inc (Comp)	Russellville, AL	10/03/97	Ladies' and Men's Sportswear.
33,909	..... Redco Foods, Inc (Wrks)	Little Falls, NY	09/26/97	Tea.
33,910	..... Best Manufacturing Co (Comp)	Salisbury, NC	09/25/97	T-Shirts and Sweat Shirts.
33,911	..... Almark Mills, Inc (Wrks)	Dawson, GA	10/03/97	Sportswear.
33,912	..... Fiskars, Inc (Wrks)	Fergus Falls, MN	10/03/97	Electrical Strip Outlets.
33,913	..... Bates of Maine, Inc (UNITE)	Lewiston, ME	10/06/97	Bedsprings.
33,914	..... Dexter Shoe Co (Wrks)	Dexter, ME	10/03/97	Boots and Shoes.
33,915	..... DQ Investment Corp (Comp)	San Diego, CA	09/30/97	Data Entry Operation.

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment and Training Administration

[NAFTA-01755]

#### Billy R. Evans Harvesting, Belle Glade, Florida; Notice of Termination of Investigation

Pursuant to Title V of the North American Free Trade Agreement

Implementation Act (Pub. L. 103-182) concerning transitional adjustment assistance, hereinafter called (NAFTA-TAA), and in accordance with Section 250(a), Subchapter D, Chapter 2, Title II, of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (19 USC 2273), an investigation was initiated on May 27, 1997 in response to a petition filed on behalf of workers at Billy R. Evans Harvesting, located in Belle Glade, Florida. The workers harvest sweet corn and plant sugarcane.

In a letter dated October 28, 1997, the petitioner requested that the petition for NAFTA-TAA be withdrawn.

Consequently, further investigation in this case would serve no purpose, and the investigation has been terminated.

Signed at Washington, D.C., this 31st day of October 1997.

**Grant D. Beale,**

*Acting Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.*

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