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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[NAFTA-02262, et al.]

Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Incorporated Headquartered in Midland, Texas, et al.; Amended Certification Regarding Eligibility To Apply for NAFTA-Transitional Adjustment Assistance

In accordance with Section 250(A), Subchapter D, Chapter 2, Title II. of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 USC 2273), the Department of Labor issued a Certification for NAFTA Transitional Adjustment Assistance on June 10, 1998, applicable to all workers of Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Incorporated, Headquartered in Midland, Texas. The notice was published in the **Federal Register** on July 13, 1998 (63 FR 37591).

At the request of the company, the Department reviewed the certification for workers of the subject firm. New findings show that worker separations have occurred at Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Incorporated operating at various locations in New Mexico, Kansas and Louisiana. The workers are engaged in employment related to the production of crude oil.

The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers of Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Incorporated adversely affect by increased imports from Canada. Accordingly, the Department is amending the certification to cover workers of Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Incorporated operating at various locations in New Mexico, Kansas and Louisiana.

The amended notice applicable to NAFTA-02262 is hereby issued as follows:

"All workers of Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Incorporated, headquartered in Midland, Texas (NAFTA-02262), operating at various locations in New Mexico (NAFTA-02262C), Kansas (NAFTA-02262D) and Louisiana (NAFTA-02262E) who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after March 10, 1997 through June 10, 2000 are eligible to apply for NAFTA-TAA under Section 250 of the Trade Act of 1974."

Signed at Washington, D.C. this 3rd day of December, 1998.

Grant D. Beale,

Acting Director, Office 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 of 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 December, 1998.

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

(1) that a significant number or proportion of the workers in the workers' firm, or an appropriate subdivision thereof, have become totally or practically 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-35,128; *Sonju's Auto Body Coatings & Refinishing Co., Inc., Kalispell, MT.*

TA-W-35,078; *BWD Automotive of Alabama, Selma, AL.*

TA-W-35,066; *Funtime Sportswear Inc. Moscow, PA.*

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

TA-W-35,227; *Malone Manufacturing, Inc., Champlain Distribution Center, Champlain, NY.*

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

TA-W-34,885; *Modern Industrial Plastics, Brookville, OH.*

TA-W-34,995; *EMC Technology LLC, Cherry Hill, NJ.*

TA-W-35,100; *AET, Covington, VA.*

TA-W-35,054; *Bridgton Knitting Mills, Bridgton, ME.*

TA-W-35,088; *Horace Small Apparel Co., Brownsville, TX.*

TA-W-34,792; *Brockway Standard (New Jersey), Inc., Elizabeth, NJ.*

TA-W-35,131; *Matsushita Semiconductor Corp of America (MASCA), Puyallup, WA.*

TA-W-35,074; *Woodwork Corp. of America. A Subsidiary of DBA Products Co., Merrill, WI.*

TA-W-35,113; *Thorn Apple Valley, Forrest City, AR.*

TA-W-35,004; *Harris Semiconductor Corp., Findlay, OH.*

TA-W-35,061; *Photran Corp. Lakeville, MN.*

TA-W-35,009; *Spalding Sports Worldwide, Chicopee, MA.*

TA-W-35,053; *Spartan Mills, Startex Mill, Startex, SC.*

TA-W-35,021; *Vastar Resources, Woodward, OK and Laverne, OK.*

TA-W-35,169; *Jayo Sportswear, Inc., Bethlehem, PA.*

TA-W-34,973; *GEM State Lumber Co., Juliaetta, ID.*

TA-W-34,887; *Malden Mills Industries, Inc., Lawrence, MA.*

TA-W-34,811; *GE Lighting, Providence Base Plant, Providence, RI.*

TA-W-34,808; *Koehler Manufacturing Co., Marlboro, MA.*

TA-W-35,080; *International Assembly Specialists, Tucson, AZ.*

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

Affirmative Determinations for Worker Adjustment Assistance

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

TA-W-35,055; *Courtland Manufacturing Co., Inc., Appomattox, VA; A; Lynn Manufacturing, Lynchburg, VA, B; Sangil Manufacturing, Appomattox, VA, C; Dutti Duds, Lynchburg, VA, D; Lake Apparel, Boydton, VA, E; Courtland Distributions, Appomattox, VA; September 22, 1997.*

TA-W-34,848; Meredith Manufacturing Co., Brantley, AL; July 28, 1997.

TA-W-35,175; Electronic Components & Systems, Inc., Tucson, AZ: October 27, 1997.

TA-W-35,147; Fashions By Gariffo, New York, NY: October 8, 1997.

TA-W-35,043; Louis Allis Co., Milwaukee, WI: September 14, 1997.

TA-W-34,956; Thomas & Betts Electrical Div., Athens, TN: August 20, 1997.

TA-W-35,117; Justin Clothing, New Bedford, MA: October 16, 1997.

TA-W-35,157; Tultex Corp., Martinsville, VA: October 9, 1997.

TA-W-35,150; American Lantern C., McKenzie, TN: September 10, 1997.

TA-W-35,067; General Electric Co., Electromaterials Div., Coshoton, OH: September 26, 1997.

TA-W-34,937; Mobil Exploration & Producing U.S., Inc (MEPUS) Mobil Exploration & Producing Services, Inc. (MEPSI) Mobil Exploration & Producing Technical Center (MEPTEC) Mobil Business Resources Corp. (MBRC) Headquartered in Dallas, TX and Operating in the following States: A; AL, B; CA, C; CO, D; KS, E; LA, F; NJ, G; NM, H; OK, I; TX, J; Ut, K; WY: October 3, 1998.

TA-W-34,909; Ahoskie Apparel, Inc., Ahoskie, NY: August 13, 1997.

TA-W-35,171; Walbro Corp., Cass City, MI: October 23, 1997.

TA-W-34,970; Bayer Corp., Houston, TX: September 14, 1997.

TA-W-34,965 & A; Arco Western Energy, Headquartered in Bakersfield, CA & Operating in the State of TX: August 20, 1997.

TA-W-35,077; William Carter Co., Centreville, MS: September 22, 1997.

TA-W-35,154; Len-Jeff, Inc., Kulpmont, PA: October 16, 1997.

TA-W-35,098; Hardin Knitwear, New York, NY: September 29, 1997.

TA-W-35,092 & A, B; Eastland Shoe Manufacturing Co., Freeport, ME, Lisbon, ME, Fryburg, ME: May 24, 1998.

TA-W-35,041; JRF Enterprises, Scottsboro, AL: September 21, 1997.

TA-W-35,108; Gulf States Steel, Inc., Gadsden, AL: September 19, 1997.

TA-W-34,996 & A; Fleer Corp., Fleer Confections Div., Byhalia, MS: September 3, 1997 and Mt. Laurel, NJ: July 27, 1998.

TA-W-34,176; Household Products, Inc., Formerly Black & Decker, Household Products Div., Asheboro Plant, Asheboro, NC: October 22, 1997.

TA-W-35,115; Santoro Manufacturing, Fall River, MA: October 16, 1997.

TA-W-35,269; Walls Industries, Inc., Ashville, AL: November 17, 1997.

TA-W-35,185; Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp., Brackenridge, PA: October 23, 1997.

TA-W-34,904; Paris Accessories, Beth-Lynn Div., Allentown, PA: August 11, 1997.

TA-W-34,880; Preston Glove Co., Preston, MS: August 13, 1997.

TA-W-34,886; Austin Apparel, Inc., Phoenix City, AL: July 24, 1997.

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 December, 1998.

In order for an affirmative determination to be made and 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 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-02679; General Motors Corp., Metal Fabricating Div., Kalamazoo, MI.

NAFTA-TAA-02615; Gem State Lumber Co., Juliaetta, ID.

NAFTA-TAA-02704; Jayo Sportswear, Inc., Bethlehem, PA.

NAFTA-TAA-02645; Lear Corp., Romulus, MI.

NAFTA-TAA-02659; The Photran Corp., Lakeville, MN.

NAFTA-TAA-02699; Longview Fibre Co., Leavenworth Wood Products, Leavenworth, WA.

NAFTA-TAA-02622; Paris Accessories, Beth Lynn Div., Allentown, PA.

NAFTA-TAA-02636; Boise Cascade, Wood Products Div., LaGrande, OR.

NAFTA-TAA-02665; Horace Small Apparel Co., Brownsville, TX.

The investigation revealed that the criteria for eligibility have not been met for the reasons specified.

NAFTA-TAA-02718; Tri-State Associated Wholesale Grocers, EL Paso, TX.

NAFTA-TAA-02649; International Assembly specialists, Tucson, AZ.

The investigation revealed that the workers of the subject firm did not produce an article within the meaning of Section 250(a) of the Trade Act, as amended.

Affirmative Determinations NAFTA-TAA

NAFTA-TAA-02684; Holloway Sportswear, Inc., Deridder, LA; October 15, 1997.

NAFTA-TAA-02716; Courtland Manufacturing Co., Inc., Appomattox, VA: A; Lynn Manufacturing, Lynchburg, VA, B; Sangil Manufacturing, Appomattox, VA, C; Dutti Duds, Lynchburg, VA, D; Lake Apparel, Boydton, VA and E; Courtland Distribution, Appomattox, VA: October 27, 1997.

NAFTA-TAA-02703; Household Products, Inc., Asheboro Plant, Asheboro, NC: October 22, 1997.

NAFTA-TAA-02706; Electronic Components & Systems, Inc., Tucson, AZ: October 27, 1997.

NAFTA-TAA-02630 & A; Paramount Headwear, Inc., VA Buren, MO and Salem, MO: September 17, 1997.

NAFTA-TAA-02691; Justin Clothing, New Bedford, MA: October 19, 1997.

NAFTA-TAA-02637; Louis Allis Co., Milwaukee, WI: September 14, 1997.

NAFTA-TAA-02694; Tultex Corp., Martinsville, VA: October 9, 1997.

NAFTA-TAA-02692; Santoro Manufacturing, Fall River, MA: October 19, 1997.

NAFTA-TAA-02602; NAFTA-TAA-02667, NAFTA-TAA-02626; Russell Corp., Midland, GA, Marianna, FL and Slocumb, AL: September 8, 1997.
 NAFTA-TAA-02670; Beloit Corp., Dalton, MA: October 5, 1997.
 NAFTA-TAA-02723; Romart, Inc., Scranton, PA: November 4, 1997.
 NAFTA-TAA-02683; Georgia Pacific, Lebonite Hardboard Div., Lebanon, OR: October 13, 1997.
 NAFTA-TAA-02621; Marcelle's Fashions, Inc., El Paso, TX: September 1, 1997.
 NAFTA-TAA-02707; Detroit Steel Products Co., Inc., Morristown, IN: October 26, 1997.

I hereby certify that the aforementioned determinations were issued during the month of December, 1998. 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: December 7, 1998.

Grant D. Beale,

Acting Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration

[Application No. D-10661, et al.]

Proposed Exemptions; MONY Life Insurance Company

AGENCY: Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, Labor

ACTION: Notice of Proposed Exemptions.

SUMMARY: This document contains notices of pendency before the Department of Labor (the Department) of proposed exemptions from certain of the prohibited transaction restrictions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (the Act) and/or the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the Code).

Written Comments and Hearing Requests

All interested persons are invited to submit written comments or request for a hearing on the pending exemptions, unless otherwise stated in the Notice of Proposed Exemption, within 45 days from the date of publication of this **Federal Register** Notice. Comments and requests for a hearing should state: (1)

the name, address, and telephone number of the person making the comment or request, and (2) the nature of the person's interest in the exemption and the manner in which the person would be adversely affected by the exemption. A request for a hearing must also state the issues to be addressed and include a general description of the evidence to be presented at the hearing.

ADDRESSES: All written comments and request for a hearing (at least three copies) should be sent to the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, Office of Exemption Determinations, Room N-5649, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210. Attention: Application No. ____, stated in each Notice of Proposed Exemption. The applications for exemption and the comments received will be available for public inspection in the Public Documents Room of Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-5507, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210.

Notice to Interested Persons

Notice of the proposed exemptions will be provided to all interested persons in the manner agreed upon by the applicant and the Department within 15 days of the date of publication in the **Federal Register**. Such notice shall include a copy of the notice of proposed exemption as published in the **Federal Register** and shall inform interested persons of their right to comment and to request a hearing (where appropriate).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed exemptions were requested in applications filed pursuant to section 408(a) of the Act and/or section 4975(c)(2) of the Code, and in accordance with procedures set forth in 29 CFR Part 2570, Subpart B (55 FR 32836, 32847, August 10, 1990). Effective December 31, 1978, section 102 of Reorganization Plan No. 4 of 1978 (43 FR 47713, October 17, 1978) transferred the authority of the Secretary of the Treasury to issue exemptions of the type requested to the Secretary of Labor. Therefore, these notices of proposed exemption are issued solely by the Department.

The applications contain representations with regard to the proposed exemptions which are summarized below. Interested persons are referred to the applications on file with the Department for a complete statement of the facts and representations.

MONY Life Insurance Company (MONY), Located in New York, NY

[Application No. D-10661]

Proposed Exemption

Based on the facts and representations set forth in the application, the Department is considering granting an exemption under the authority of section 408(a) of the Act and in accordance with the procedures set forth in 29 CFR Part 2570, Subpart B (55 FR 32836, 32847, August 10, 1990).¹

Section I.—Covered Transactions

If the exemption is granted, the restrictions of section 406(a) of the Act and the sanctions resulting from the application of section 4975 of the Code, by reason of section 4975(c)(1)(A) through (D) of the Code, shall not apply, effective November 16, 1998, to the (1) receipt of common stock of the MONY Group, Inc. (the Holding Company), a subsidiary of MONY, or (2) the receipt of cash or policy credits, by or on behalf of any eligible policyholder (the Eligible Policyholder) of MONY which is an employee benefit plan (the Plan), other than an Eligible Policyholder which is a Plan maintained by MONY or an affiliate for its employees, in exchange for such Eligible Policyholder's membership interest in MONY, in accordance with the terms of a plan of reorganization (the Plan of Reorganization) adopted by MONY and implemented pursuant to section 7312 of the New York Insurance Law.

This proposed exemption is subject to the conditions set forth below in Section II.

Section II. General Conditions

(a) The Plan of Reorganization is implemented in accordance with procedural and substantive safeguards that are imposed under New York Insurance Law and is subject to review and supervision by the Superintendent of Insurance of the State of New York (the Superintendent).

(b) The Superintendent reviews the terms of the options that are provided to Eligible Policyholders of MONY as part of such Superintendent's review of the Plan of Reorganization, and the Superintendent only approves the Plan of Reorganization following a determination that such Plan of Reorganization is fair and equitable to all Eligible Policyholders and is not detrimental to the public.

¹ For purposes of this exemption, reference to provisions of Title I of the Act, unless otherwise specified, refer also to the corresponding provisions of the Code.