

original cooperative agreement to explore specific issues and challenges related to implementation and uses of skill standards. There is no interest in duplicating work done in the initial phase of research.

**Purpose**

The research will inform the development of a system of voluntary, national skill standards. Proposed activities will include, but not be limited to, standards-based assessment, certification, work-based implementation, the development of high performance work organizations and gaining industry-wide acceptance of national skill standards. Applicants must demonstrate that proposed activities will directly inform the Board's efforts to implement its mission and will be in keeping with the operating objectives defined in the complete solicitation package.

Signed at Washington, D.C. on March 5, 1996.

Lawrence J. Kuss,  
Grant Officer.

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**Employment and Training Administration**

[TA-W-31,671]

**Boise Cascade, Timber & Wood Products Division La Grande, Oregon; Notice of Termination of Investigation**

Pursuant to Section 221 of the Trade Act of 1974, an investigation was

initiated on December 4, 1995 in response to a worker petition which was filed on December 4, 1995 on behalf of workers at Boise Cascade, Timber & Wood Products Division, Yakima, Washington.

The petitioner has requested that the petition be withdrawn.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, DC, this 29th day of February, 1996.

Russell T. Kile,

Acting Program Manager, Policy and Reemployment Services, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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**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 Program Manager 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 Program Manager, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than March 18, 1996.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments regarding the subject matter of the investigations to the Program Manager, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than March 18, 1996.

The petitions filed in this case are available for inspection at the Office of the Program Manager, 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 26th day of February, 1996.

Russell Kile,

Acting Program Manager, Policy & Reemployment Services, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

Appendix

PETITIONS INSTITUTED ON FEBRUARY 26, 1996

TA-W	Subject firm (petitioners)	Location	Date of petition	Product(s)
31,936	Boise Cascade (U)	Vancouver, WA	02/12/96	Specialty paper products.
31,937	Capital-Mercury Shirt (Comp)	Melbourne, AR	02/02/96	Men's shirts.
31,938	Capital-Mercury Shirt (Comp)	Des Arc, AR	02/02/96	Men's shirts.
31,939	Capital-Mercury Shirt (Comp)	Walnut Ridge, AR	02/02/96	Men's shirts.
31,940	Alphabet (Comp)	Nappanee, IN	02/07/96	Wire harnesses.
31,941	Andover Togs, Inc. (Comp)	Pisgah, AL	01/26/96	Children's sportswear.
31,942	Carter-Wallace, Inc. (USWA)	Trenton, NJ	02/07/96	Condoms.
31,943	Doran Textiles, Inc. (Wkrs)	Shelby, NC	01/18/96	Yarn.
31,944	Eaton Corp. (BBF)	Marion, OH	01/01/96	Truck axles.
31,945	FMC/Crosby Valve & Gage (Wkrs)	Wrentham, MA	01/18/96	Pressure and safety relief valves.
31,946	J.J. Lingerie Co. (Wkrs)	Glens Falls, NY	02/06/96	Lingerie.
31,947	Masland Industries (Wkrs)	Lewistown, PA	02/07/96	Carpets for automobiles.
31,948	Molycorp, Inc. (U)	Washington, PA	01/02/96	Molybdenum Oxide.
31,949	P & K Dress (UNITE)	Little Falls, NY	11/29/95	Ladies' dresses.
31,950	Raintree Buckles (Wkrs)	North Hollywood, CA	02/06/96	Buckles, metal gift items.
31,951	Riedell Shoes, Inc. (UFCW)	Red Wing, MN	02/06/96	Skates.
31,952	St. Mary's Sewing Ind. (Wkrs)	Edcouch, TX	01/29/96	Sewing of apparel.