

**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement****Request for Determination of Valid Existing Rights Within the Wayne National Forest; Correction**

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of decision; correction.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a correction to a November 26, 1997 **Federal Register** notice (62 FR 63187) which announced the decision of the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) on a request by Edward and Madeiline Blaire and Buckingham Coal Company, Inc. (Buckingham) for a determination of valid existing rights (VER) under section 522(e) of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 (SMCRA). The required correction pertains to part VII. of the notice, entitled "Appeals."

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In the **Federal Register** notice published on November 26, 1997 (62 FR 63187), Part VII in the decision stated:

Any person who is or may be adversely affected by this decision may appeal to the Interior Board of Land Appeals under 43 CFR 4.1390 *et seq.* [1988]. Notice of intent to appeal must be filed within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice of decision in a local newspaper with circulation in Perry County, Ohio.

However, 43 CFR 4.1391 states, in relevant part:

The request for review shall be filed within 30 days of the date of publication of notice in the **Federal Register** that a determination has been made for any person who has not received a copy by certified mail or overnight delivery service.

Accordingly, any person who is or may be adversely affected by the VER decision in this matter may appeal to the Interior Board of Land Appeals under 43 CFR 4.1390 *et seq.* [1988]. Notice of intent to appeal must be filed within 30 days of the date of publication of the notice of decision in the **Federal Register**, which was on November 26, 1997, by any person who has not received a copy by certified mail or overnight delivery service.

Dated: December 12, 1997.

**Allen D. Klein,**

*Regional Director, Appalachian Regional Coordinating Center.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR****Employment and Training Administration**

[TA-W-33,715]

**Brandon Apparel Group, Incorporated, Columbus, Wisconsin; Notice of Negative Determination on Reconsideration**

On October 31, 1997, the Department issued an Affirmative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration for the workers and former workers of the subject firm. The petitioner presented new evidence that the collection of information regarding company sales and imports was incomplete for the time period relevant to the investigation. The notice was published in the **Federal Register** on November 26, 1997 (62 FR 63193).

The Department initially denied TAA to workers of Brandon Apparel Group, Columbus, Wisconsin because the "contributed importantly" group eligibility requirement of Section 222(3) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, was not met. The workers at the subject firm were engaged in employment related to the production of children's sports apparel. The layoffs at the Columbus plant were attributed to the corporate decision to close the subject plant and transfer all production to an affiliated domestic facility. Corporate-wide sales, production and imports increased from 1995 to 1996. Company imports, however, decreased as a percentage of company sales during this time.

On reconsideration, the Department requested that Brandon Apparel provide data for the January through July time periods of 1996 and 1997. Information provided by the company shows that corporate-wide sales and production increased from January through July 1997, compared to the January through July 1996 time period. During the same time period company imports declined.

**Conclusion**

After reconsideration, I affirm the original notice of negative determination of eligibility to apply for worker adjustment assistance for workers and former workers of Brandon Apparel Group, Columbus, Wisconsin.

Signed at Washington, D.C., this 9th day of December 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 show below, not later than December 29, 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 December 29, 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 1st day of December, 1997.

**Grant D. Beale,**

*Acting Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.*