

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Employment and Training
Administration**

[T-W-37,910]

**Mallinckrodt, Incorporated, Nellcor
Puritan Bennett, Incorporated, Puritan-
Bennett Corporation, Respiratory
Division Carlsbad, CA; Amended
Certification Regarding Eligibility To
Apply for Worker Adjustment
Assistance**

In accordance with Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2273) the U.S. Department of Labor issued a Certification of Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance on October 5, 2000, applicable to workers of Mallinckrodt, Incorporated, Respiratory Division, Carlsbad, California. The notice was published in the **Federal Register** on November 1, 2000 (FR 65 65330).

At the request of the State agency, the Department reviewed the certification for workers of the subject firm. The workers are engaged in the production of critical care medical equipment. New information provided by the State shows that Nellcor Puritan Bennett, Incorporated and Puritan-Bennett Corporation are business units of Mallinckrodt, Incorporated. New information also shows that workers separated from employment at the subject firm had their wages reported under two separate unemployment insurance (UI) tax accounts: Nellcor Puritan Bennett, Incorporated and Puritan-Bennett Corporation.

Accordingly, the Department is amending the certification to properly reflect this matter.

The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers of Mallinckrodt, Incorporated, Respiratory Division who were adversely affected by increased imports of critical care medical equipment.

The amended notice applicable to TA-W-37,910 is hereby issued as follows:

All workers of the Mallinckrodt, Incorporated, Nellcor Puritan Bennett, Incorporated, Puritan-Bennett Corporation, Respiratory Division, Carlsbad, California who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after July 5, 1999 through October 5, 2002 are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed at Washington, DC this 29th day of November, 2000.

Linda G. Poole,*Certifying Officer, Division of Trade
Adjustment Assistance.*

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Employment and Training
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[TA-W-37,884]

**Rycraft, Incorporated, Corvallis, OR;
Notice of Revised Determination on
Reconsideration**

On November 2, 2000, the Department issued an Affirmative Determination Regarding Application on Reconsideration applicable to workers and former workers of the subject firm. The notice was published in the **Federal Register** on November 15, 2000 (65 FR 69050).

The Department initially denied TAA to workers of Rycraft, Incorporated, Corvallis, Oregon producing terra cotta cookie stamps because the "contributed importantly" group eligibility requirement of section 222(3) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, was not met.

On reconsideration, the Department conducted further survey of the major independent brokers of Rycraft. The survey revealed that the former customers of Rycraft imported substantial amounts of terra cotta cookie stamps while reducing purchases from Rycraft.

Conclusion

After careful review of the additional facts obtained on reconsideration, I conclude that increased imports of articles like or directly competitive with terra cotta cookie stamps, contributed importantly to the declines in sales or production and to the total or partial separation of workers of Rycraft, Incorporated, Corvallis, Oregon. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, I make the following certification:

All workers of Rycraft, Incorporated, Corvallis, Oregon who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after June 27, 1999 are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed in Washington, D.C. this 22nd day of November 2000.

Linda G. Poole,*Certifying Officer, Division of Trade
Adjustment Assistance.*

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Employment and Training
Administration**

[TA-W-38,061]

**TRW, Valve Division, Danville, PA;
Notice of Affirmative Determination
Regarding Application for
Reconsideration**

By letter of November 11, 2000, the petitioner requested administrative reconsideration of the Department of Labor's Notice of Negative Determination Regarding Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance, petition TA-W-38,061. The denial notice was signed on October 10, 2000 and published in the **Federal Register** on November 1, 2000 (65 FR 65329).

The Department has reviewed the request for reconsideration and has determined that further survey of a major declining customer of the subject firm would be appropriate.

Conclusion

After careful review of the application, I conclude that the claim is of sufficient weight to justify reconsideration of the Department of Labor's prior decision. The application is, therefore, granted.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 30th day of November 2000.

Linda G. Poole,*Certifying Officer, Division of Trade
Adjustment Assistance.*

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Employment and Training
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[NAFTA-04281]

**Greenwood Mills Inc., Greige and
Denim Greenwood, SC; 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 U.S.C. 23331), an investigation was initiated on November 8, 2000, in response to a petition filed by a company official on behalf of workers at Greenwood Mills Inc., Greige and Denim, Greenwood, South Carolina. The workers producer lightweight textiles.

The petitioner has 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 in Washington, DC this 28th day of November, 2000.

Linda G. Poole,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[NAFTA-4020]

Thomson Consumer Electronics, Incorporated, A.T.O. Division, Dunmore, PA; Notice of Negative Determination on Reconsideration

On October 17, 2000, the Department issued an Affirmative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration for the workers and former workers of the subject firm. The notice will soon be published in the **Federal Register**.

The Department initially denied NAFTA to workers of Thomson Consumer Electronics, Incorporated, A.T.O. Division, Dunmore, PA 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 color television picture tubes.

The petitioner presented evidence that the Department's survey of the company's customer was incomplete.

On reconsideration, the Department requested that the subject firm provide additional information concerning declining customers. Upon examination of those customers, it was discovered that the customers were located in Mexico. Those customers were the reason for the declines in sales, production and employment at the subject plant. Company sales of color television picture tubes to the domestic market did not decline during the relevant period.

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 Thomson Consumer Electronics,

Incorporated, A.T.O. Division, Dunmore, Pennsylvania.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 4th day of December, 2000.

Linda G. Poole,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Mine Safety and Health Administration

Proposed Information Collection Request Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations; Applications for a Permit To Fire More Than 20 Boreholes, for the Use of Nonpermissible Blasting Units, Explosives, and Shot-Firing Units

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) [44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)]. This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of the collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of the information collection related to the application for a permit to fire more than 20 boreholes, for the use of nonpermissible blasting units, and for the use of nonpermissible explosives and nonpermissible shot-firing units, and posting of warning notices with regard to mis-fired explosives.

DATES: Submit comments on or before February 12, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Brenda C. Teaster, Acting Chief, Records Management Division, 4015 Wilson Boulevard, Room 709A, Arlington, VA 22203-1984. Commenters are encouraged to send their comments on a computer disk, or via E-mail to bteaster@msha.gov, along with an original printed copy. Ms. Teaster can be reached at (703) 235-1470 (voice) or (703) 235-1563 (facsimile).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A copy of the proposed information collection request and further information may be obtained by contracting Brenda C. Teaster, Acting Chief, Records Management Division, U.S. Department of Labor, Mine Safety and Health Administration, Room 715, 4015 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22203-1984. Ms. Teaster can be reached at bteaster@msha.gov (Internet E-mail), (703) 235-1470 (voice), or (703) 235-1563 (facsimile).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Under Section 313 of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 (Mine Act), 30 U.S.C. 873, a mine operator is required to use permissible explosives in underground coal mines. The Mine Act also provides that under safeguards prescribed by the Secretary of Labor, a mine operator may permit the firing of more than 20 shots and the use of nonpermissible explosives in sinking shafts and slopes from the surface in rock. Title 30, CFR 75.1321 outlines the procedures by which a permit may be issued for the firing of more than 20 boreholes and/or the use of nonpermissible shot-firing units in underground coal mines. In those instances in which there is a misfire of explosives, 30 CFR 75.1327 requires that a qualified person post each accessible entrance to the affected area with a warning to prohibit entry. Title 30 CFR 77.1909-1 outlines the procedures by which a coal mine operator may apply for a permit to use nonpermissible explosives and/or shot-firing units in the blasting of rock while sinking shafts or slopes for underground coal mines.

II. Desired Focus of Comments

MSHA is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology,