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Agency: Employment and Training Administration (ETA).

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Title: Interstate Arrangement for Combining Employment and Wages.

OMB Number: 1205-0029.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Government.

Frequency: Quarterly.

Number of Respondents: 53.

Number of Annual Responses: 212.

Estimated Time Per Response: 4 hours.

Total Burden Hours: 848.

Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs: \$0.

Total Annual Costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): \$0.

Description: The data collected on the Form ETA-586 are authorized by 20 CFR Part 616 and Section 303(a)(6) of the Social Security Act. The ETA-586 report provides the Secretary of Labor with information necessary to measure the scope and effect of the program for combining employment and wages and to monitor the performance of each State in responding to wage transfer requests and the payment of benefits.

Ira L. Mills,

Departmental Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Submission or OMB Review; Comment Request

October 11, 2001.

The Department of Labor (DOL) has submitted the following public information collection requests (ICRs) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). A copy of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the Department of Labor. To obtain documentation contact Darrin King at (202) 693-4129 or E-Mail: King-Darrin@dol.gov.

Comments should be sent to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for ETA, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 ((202) 395-7316), within 30 days from the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

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Type of Review: New collection.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration (ETA).

Title: Unemployment Insurance Data Validation Program.

OMB Number: 1205-ONEW.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Government; Federal Government.

Number of Respondents: 53.

Type of Response: Reporting.

Requirement	Number of annual responses	Frequency	Estimated time per response (hours)	Annual burden hours.
Full Data Validation	18	Every 3 years	1,600	28,267
Partial Data Validation ¹	12	Annually	160	1,920
Totals	30	30,187

¹ Partial data validation only occurs in years when full data validation is not conducted.

Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs: \$3,525,000.

Total Annual Costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): \$873,612.

Description: In accordance with Section 303(a)(6) of the Social Security Act, The Unemployment Insurance Data Validation Program would require States to implement and operate a system for ascertaining the validity of unemployment insurance data they submit to ESA. Some of these data are

used to assess performance or determine State grants for UI administration.

Ira L. Mills,

Departmental Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

October 10, 2001.

The Department of Labor (DOL) has submitted the following public information collection requests (ICRs) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork

Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). A copy of each individual ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the Department of Labor. To obtain documentation contact Marlene Howze at (202) 219–8904 or Email Howze-Marlene@dol.gov.

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Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Agency: Employment Standards Administration (ESA).

Title: Application for Continuation of Death Benefit for Student.

OMB Number: 1215–0073.

Affected Public: Individuals or households and Business or other for-profit.

Frequency: On Occasion.

Number of Respondents: 43.

Number of Annual Responses: 43.

Estimated Time Per Response: 30 minutes.

Total Burden Hours: 22.

Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs: \$0.

Total Annual Costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): \$0.

Description: The Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP) administers the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act. This Act was amended on October 27, 1972, to provide for continuation of death benefits for a child or certain other surviving dependents after the age of 18

years (to age 23) if the dependent qualifies as a student as defined in section 2(18) of the Act.

The information collected from Form LS–266 is used by OWCP to assure that a claimant receives all of the benefits under the Act to which he/she may be entitled. If the information were not collected, there would be no way to determine the proper status of a student and his/her continued entitlement to benefits.

Ira L. Mills,

Departmental Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[NAFTA–4461 and TA–W–38,601]

Arka Knitwear, Ridgewood, NY; Notice of Revised Determination on Reconsideration

By letter of April 15, 2001, the company official requested administrative reconsideration of the Department's denial of North American Free Trade Agreement—Transitional Adjustment Assistance (NAFTA–TAA) and Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA), applicable to workers of Arka Knitwear, Ridgewood, New York. The notice were published in the **Federal Register** on April 16, 2001, NAFTA–4461 (66 FR 19522), and TA–W–38,601 (66 FR 19520).

The workers are primarily engaged in the production of sweaters.

The workers were denied NAFTA–TAA on the basis that there was no shift in production to Mexico or Canada, nor were there company or customer imports of sweaters from Mexico or Canada. The workers were denied TAA because the “contributed importantly” test of the Group Eligibility Requirements of the Trade Act was not met.

The company has presented documents from major declining customers of the subject firm. This evidence shows that these customers stopped purchasing sweaters from the subject firm and began using Mexico and other countries to source their sweater purchases.

An examination of trade data for women's and girls' sweaters reveals that from 1999 to 200, aggregate U.S. imports increased absolutely and relative to domestic shipments. In 2000, the import/shipments ratio exceeded 200 percent.

Conclusion

After careful consideration of the new facts obtained on reconsideration, it is concluded that the workers of Arka Knitwear, Ridgewood, New York, were adversely affected by increased imports (including those from Mexico) of articles like or directly competitive with sweaters produced at the subject firm.

“All workers of Arka Knitwear, Ridgewood, New York, who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after January 12, 2000, through two years from the date of certification, are eligible to apply for NAFTA–TAA under Section 250 of the Trade Act of 1974;” and

“All workers of Arka Knitwear, Ridgewood, New York, who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after January 12, 2000, through two years from the date of certification, are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974.”

Signed at Washington, DC this 28th day of September 2001.

Linda G. Poole,

Certifying Officer, Division 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 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 September and October, 2001.

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 or 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 subdivision 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