The petition for the workers of Hill Knitting Mills, Richmond, New York was denied because the ''contributed importantly'' group eligibility requirement of section 222(3) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, was not met. The ''contributed importantly'' test is generally demonstrated through a survey of customers of the workers' firm. None of the customers reported increasing their purchases of imported interlock JACQ strips with and without separation.

The petitioner feels that the decision is incorrect, since the decision depicted goods the plant produced were used for children's clothing. The petitioner indicated that the goods were used for more than just children's clothing. Although the decision indicated that the workers produced knit fabric for children's clothing the investigation encompassed all goods (interlock JACQ strips with and without separation—sweater blanks, knitted fabric) the mill produced, without distinguishing the end-use (adult, children's—male and female) of the goods considered in the decision. Therefore, the initial investigation and resulting determination included all goods the company produced.

The company in their request for reconsideration explained the reason for the declines in their business, however no new evidence pertinent to the initial petition and investigation was presented.

Conclusion

After review of the application and investigative findings, I conclude that there has been no error or misinterpretation of the law or of the facts which would justify reconsideration of the Department of Labor's prior decision. Accordingly, the application is denied.

Signed at Washington, DC this 26th day of October 2001.

Edward A. Tomchick,

Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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[TA–W–40,084]

Mettler Toledo Process Analytical, Inc., Woburn, MA; Notice of Termination of Investigation

Pursuant to section 221 of the Trade Act of 1974, an investigation was initiated on September 24, 2001 in response to a worker petition, which was filed on behalf of workers at Metter Toledo Process Analytical, Inc., Woburn, Massachusetts.

The petitioner has requested that the petition be withdrawn.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 9th day of November 2001.

Linda G. Poole,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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[TA–W–40,244]

Northrop Grumman Formerly Known as Litton Watertown, CT; Notice of Termination of Investigation

Pursuant to section 221 of the Trade Act of 1974, an investigation was initiated on October 22, 2001 in response to a worker petition, which was filed by the workers at Northrup Grumman, formerly known as Litton, Watertown, Connecticut.

The investigation revealed that the petitioning group of workers were certified on October 31, 2001 (TA–W–40,185). Consequently, further investigation in this case would serve no purpose, and the investigation has been terminated.

Signed in Washington, DC this 8th day of November 2001.

Linda G. Poole,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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[TA–W–40,077]

Prime Tanning Company Rochester, NH; Notice of Termination of Investigation

Pursuant to section 221 of the Trade Act of 1974, an investigation was initiated on September 24, 2001, in response to a worker petition filed on behalf of workers at Prime Tanning Company, Rochester, New Hampshire.

The petitioning group of workers is subject to an ongoing investigation (TA–W–40,051). Consequently, further investigation in this case would serve no purpose, and the investigation has been terminated.

Signed in Washington, DC this 5th day of November 2001.

Linda G. Poole,

Certifying Officer, Division of, Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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[TA–W–39,742]

Republic Technologies International, LLC, Johnstown, PA; Notice of Negative Determination On Reopening

The Department on its own motion reopened the petition investigation for workers of the subject firm. The denial notice was signed on August 14, 2001, and published in the **Federal Register** on August 23, 2001 (66 FR 44379).

The Department initially denied TAA to workers engaged in the production of steel bar (billets), at Republic Technologies International, Johnstown, Pennsylvania, because criterion (3) of the worker group eligibility requirements of section 222 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, was not met. Increased imports did not contribute importantly to declines in sales or production and worker separations.

The petitioner states that an affiliated plant located in Canton, Ohio producing hot rolled steel bars was certified for TAA under TA–W–38,782. The petitioner further states that these two facilities are identical, owned and operated by the same corporation and also supply the same customers.

The billets produced at the Johnstown facility are not like and directly competitive with hot rolled steel bars produced at the Canton plant. In fact, the subject plant shipped virtually all (a negligible amount went to the Canton, Ohio plant) billet production to an affiliated plant located in Lackawanna, New York to be rolled into hot rolled steel bars. The Lackawanna, New York facility was not under any TAA certification during the relevant period. The Canton certification was based on outside customers increasing their reliance on hot rolled steel bars, not billets.

Although the Canton and Johnstown plants are operated by the same

corporation, they produce different products. The two plants are not vertically integrated and therefore the Johnstown workers may not be tied to the Canton TAA certification.

Conclusion

After review of the application and investigative findings, I conclude that there has been no error or misinterpretation of the law or of the facts which would justify reconsideration of the Department of Labor's prior decision. Accordingly, the application is denied.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 30th day of October 2001.

Edward A. Tomchick,

Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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[TA–W–39,188]

Rhoda Lee, Inc., New York, NY; Notice of Negative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration

By application dated June 12, 2001, the Amalgamated Ladies' Garment Cutters' Union, Local 10, UNITE requested administrative reconsideration of the Department's negative determination regarding eligibility to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA), applicable to workers and former workers of the subject firm. The denial notice was signed on May 8, 2001, and published in the **Federal Register** on May 23, 2001 (66 FR 28553).

Pursuant to 29 CFR 90.18(c) reconsideration may be granted under the following circumstances:

(1) If it appears on the basis of facts not previously considered that the determination complained of was erroneous;

(2) If it appears that the determination complained of was based on a mistake in the determination of facts not previously considered; or

(3) If in the opinion of the Certifying Officer, a misinterpretation of facts or of the law justified reconsideration of the decision.

The petition for the workers of Rhoda Lee, Inc., New York, New York was denied because the ''contributed importantly'' group eligibility requirement of section 222(3) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended; was not met. The denial was based on evidence indicating that markers the impacted worker group produced, were only used when the company contracted out work and the company did not import markers during the relevant period.

The petitioner alleges that Rhoda Lee, Inc. replaced domestic production (apparel) with imports, thus the need for markers decreased resulting in the displacement of the worker(s).

The impacted worker(s) of the subject plant producing markers were separately identifiable from other functions performed at the subject firm and therefore is the group of worker(s) which may be considered for TAA eligibility. The company did not import makers and only purchased markers from other domestic sources during the relevant period.

The imports of any other product (apparel) by the company is not relevant to this petition that was filed on behalf of worker(s) producing markers.

Conclusion

After review of the application and investigative findings, I conclude that there has been no error or misinterpretation of the law or of the facts which would justify reconsideration of the Department of Labor's prior decision. Accordingly, the application is denied.

Signed at Washington, DC this 26th day of October 2001.

Edward A. Tomchick,

Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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[NAFTA—05455]

Harris Welco, J.W. Harris Company, Kings Mountain, NC; 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 USC 2273), an investigation was initiated on October 22, 2001, in response to a petition filed by a company official on behalf of workers at Harris Welco, J.W. Harris Company, Kings Mountain, North Carolina.

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 at Washington, DC, this 2nd day of November, 2001.

Linda G. Poole,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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Investigations Regarding Certifications of Eligibility To Apply for NAFTA Transitional Adjustment Assistance

Petitions for transitional adjustment assistance under the North American Free Trade Agreement-Transitional Adjustment Assistance Implementation Act (Pub. L. 103–182), hereinafter called (NAFTA–TAA), have been filed with State Governors under section 250(b)(1) of Subchapter D, Chapter 2, Title II, of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, are identified in the Appendix to this Notice. Upon notice from a Governor that a NAFTA–TAA petition has been received, the Director of the Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance (DTAA), Employment and Training Administration (ETA), Department of Labor (DOL), announces the filing of the petition and takes action pursuant to paragraphs (c) and (e) of section 250 of the Trade Act.

The purpose of the Governor's actions and the Labor Department's investigations are to determine whether the workers separated from employment on or after December 8, 1993 (date of enactment of Pub. L. 103–182) are eligible to apply for NAFTA–TAA under Subchapter D of the Trade Act because of increased imports from or the shift in production to Mexico or Canada.

The petitioners or any other persons showing a substantial interest in the subject matter of the investigations may request a public hearing with the Director of DTAA at the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) in Washington, DC provided such request if filed in writing with the Director of DTAA not later than November 30, 2001.

Also, interested persons are invited to submit written comments regarding the subject matter of the petitions to the Director of DTAA at the address shown below not later than November 30, 2001.

Petitions filed with the Governors are available for inspection at the Office of the Director, DTAA, ETA, DOL, Room