

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-50,179]

SMT, Inc., Hanover, MI; Notice of Negative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration

By application of May 8, 2003, a petitioner 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 April 4, 2003, and published in the **Federal Register** on April 24, 2003 (68 FR 20177).

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 SMT Automotive, Inc., Schrader Machine & Tool, Hanover, Michigan 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. The survey revealed that none of the respondents increased their purchases of imported metal brackets and braces. The investigation revealed that company did not import metal brackets and braces in the relevant period, nor did it shift production to a foreign facility.

The petitioner alleges that "eight jobs * * * went to Raccine (sic) in Mexico" and proceeds to list several part numbers.

When the petitioner was contacted for clarification on these allegations, the Department was referred to a former

company official who had provided the information initially. This former company official stated that the parts listed in the reconsideration request concerned a Mexican customer. Foreign customers are not relevant in TAA investigations.

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 3rd day of June, 2003.

Elliott S. Kushner,
Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-51,860]

Solutia, Inc., Trenton, MI; Notice of Termination of Investigation

Pursuant to section 221 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, an investigation was initiated on May 22, 2003 in response to a worker petition filed by The International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 299, on behalf of workers at Solutia, Inc., Trenton, Michigan.

The petitioning group of workers is covered by an earlier petition filed on April 20, 2003 (TA-W-51,586) that is the subject of an ongoing investigation for which a determination has not yet been issued. Further investigation in this case would duplicate efforts and serve no purpose; therefore the investigation under this petition has been terminated.

Signed at Washington, DC this 3rd day of June, 2003.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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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 Director of the Division 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 Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than June 30, 2003.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments regarding the subject matter of the investigations to the Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than June 30, 2003.

The petitions filed in this case are available for inspection at the Office of the Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room C-5311, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210.

Signed at Washington, DC this 9th day of June 2003.

Timothy Sullivan,
Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

APPENDIX—PETITIONS INSTITUTED BETWEEN 05/12/2003 AND 05/16/2003

TA-W	Subject firm (petitioners)	Location	Date of institution	Date of petition
51,732	Union Tank Car Company (Wkrs)	Longview, TX	05/12/2003	04/30/2003
51,733	Dirigo Dowels and Pins, Inc. (Comp)	New Portland, ME	05/12/2003	05/06/2003
51,734	Jockey International (Wkrs)	Alamo, TN	05/12/2003	05/12/2003

APPENDIX—PETITIONS INSTITUTED BETWEEN 05/12/2003 AND 05/16/2003—Continued

TA-W	Subject firm (petitioners)	Location	Date of institution	Date of petition
51,735	Consolidated Freightways (Wkrs)	Eau Claire, WI	05/12/2003	05/07/2003
51,736	Safeharbor Technology Corporation (Wkrs)	Satsop, WA	05/12/2003	05/09/2003
51,737	Swissport USA (Wkrs)	San Antonio, TX	05/12/2003	05/09/2003
51,738	Motor Component, LLC (Comp)	Elmira, NY	05/12/2003	05/09/2003
51,739	F/V Blue Fox (Comp)	Naknek, AK	05/12/2003	05/05/2003
51,740	F/V Lucy Lewis (Wkrs)	Kipnuk, AK	05/12/2003	04/28/2003
51,741	Apone's T-Shirt Cache (Comp)	Anchorage, AK	05/14/2003	02/05/2003
51,742	Entronix International, Inc. (MN)	Minneapolis, MN	05/14/2003	05/06/2003
51,743	Sychip, Inc. (NJ)	Murray Hill, NJ	05/14/2003	05/13/2003
51,744	Gateway Industrial Services (Wkrs)	Jonesboro, AR	05/14/2003	05/06/2003
51,745	Marion Plywood Corporation (Comp)	Marions, WI	05/14/2003	05/07/2003
51,746	Motorola (Wkrs)	Chandler, AZ	05/14/2003	05/08/2003
51,747	Fisher Scientific (Wkrs)	Indiana, PA	05/14/2003	05/13/2003
51,748	Intel Corporation (Wkrs)	Hillsboro, OR	05/14/2003	05/09/2003
51,749	Intel Corporation (Comp)	Hillsboro, OR	05/14/2003	01/14/2003
51,749A	Intel Corporation (Comp)	DuPont, WA	05/14/2003	01/14/2003
51,750	Federated Merch. Group (Wkrs)	New York, NY	05/14/2003	05/05/2003
51,751	McMillen Lumber (Wkrs)	Sheffield, PA	05/14/2003	05/06/2003
51,752	Bay Machinery Company (Wkrs)	Blissfield, MI	05/14/2003	05/09/2003
51,753	Agilent Technologies (Comp)	Richardson, TX	05/14/2003	05/12/2003
51,754	Rodco Products (Comp)	Lewiston, ME	05/14/2003	05/07/2003
51,755	Selkirk, LLC (Wkrs)	Logan, OH	05/14/2003	05/12/2003
51,756	Mattel, Inc. (NJ)	Mt. Laurel, NJ	05/14/2003	05/13/2003
51,757	Coherent Inc. (Wkrs)	Auburn, CA	05/14/2003	05/13/2003
51,758	Teleflex Automotive, Inc. (Wkrs)	VanWert, OH	05/14/2003	05/12/2003
51,759	Heidenhain (Wkrs)	Schaumburg, IL	05/14/2003	05/06/2003
51,760	Satellite Technology Mgmt. (Wkrs)	Irvine, CA	05/14/2003	04/12/2003
51,761	ADC Telecommunications (Wkrs)	Tustin, CA	05/14/2003	05/06/2003
51,762	Ingersoll Milling Machine (Wkrs)	Rockford, IL	05/14/2003	04/15/2003
51,763	Kismet Products, Inc. (Comp)	Perry, OH	05/14/2003	05/06/2003
51,764	F/V Resolute (Comp)	Ketchikan, AK	05/14/2003	05/05/2003
51,766	Fishing Vessel (FV) Return (Comp)	King Cove, AK	05/14/2003	05/02/2003
51,767	F/V Imperial (Comp)	Funter Bay, AK	05/14/2003	05/08/2003
51,768	Chilkoot Fish Company (Comp)	Haines, AK	05/14/2003	05/04/2003
51,769	Hamilton Die Cast, Inc. (Wkrs)	Hamilton, OH	05/15/2003	12/19/2002
51,770	Phantom USA, Inc. (Comp)	Liberty, NC	05/15/2003	05/02/2003
51,771	Thompson-Hancock Technologies (Comp)	Gibsonville, NC	05/15/2003	05/09/2003
51,772	Computer Simulations (Comp)	Pittsburgh, PA	05/16/2003	05/12/2003
51,773	Regal Ware, Inc. (PACE)	Kewaskum, WI	05/15/2003	04/30/2003
51,774	Pactiv Corp. (Wkrs)	Red Bluff, CA	05/15/2003	05/02/2003
51,775	InteSys Technologies Inc. (Comp)	Gilbert, AZ	05/15/2003	05/12/2003
51,776	General Tool Company (OH)	Cincinnati, OH	05/15/2003	05/15/2003
51,777	Cambridge Metal and Plastics (MN)	Cambridge, MN	05/15/2003	05/13/2003
51,778	C and D Apparel (Wkrs)	Tellico Plains, TN	05/15/2003	05/09/2003
51,779	Cordis Cardiovascular (Wkrs)	Maple Grove, MN	05/15/2003	05/06/2003
51,780	QCR Tech, LLC (IAM)	Madison Hgts., MI	05/15/2003	05/08/2003
51,781	MSX International (IAM)	Auburn Hills, MI	05/15/2003	05/08/2003
51,782	Troy Tooling, Inc. (IAM)	Rochester Hills, MI	05/15/2003	05/08/2003
51,783	Nabco, Inc. (Comp)	Arion, MI	05/16/2003	05/15/2003
51,784	Richardson Electric, Ltd. (Comp)	Richmond, IN	05/16/2003	05/13/2003
51,785	Astro-Netics, Inc (IAM)	Madison Heights, MI	05/15/2003	05/08/2003
51,786	Seaway Pattern Manufacturing, Inc. (IAM)	Toledo, OH	05/15/2003	05/01/2003
51,787	Production Pattern Co. (IAM)	Bedford, OH	05/15/2003	05/01/2003
51,788	American Steel Foundry/Keystone Co. (IAM)	Alliance, OH	05/16/2003	05/01/2003
51,789	Allen Pattern of Michigan (IAM)	Battle Creek, MI	05/15/2003	05/01/2003
51,790	Paragon Pattern & Manufacturing Company (IAM)	Muskegon Hgts, MI	05/15/2003	05/01/2003
51,791	Cobra Patterns and Models (IAM)	Madison Hts., MI	05/15/2003	05/01/2003
51,792	Mack Industries (IAM)	Troy, MI	05/15/2003	05/01/2003
51,793	Commerce Eng. and Pattern Co. (IAM)	Walled Lake, MI	05/15/2003	05/01/2003
51,794	Progress Pattern Corp. (IAM)	Livonia, MI	05/15/2003	05/01/2003
51,795	Int'l Seaford of Alaska, Inc. (Comp)	Kodiak, AK	05/15/2003	05/02/2003
51,796	F/V Northern Flyer (Comp)	Ketchikan, AK	05/15/2003	05/13/2003
51,797	Walter L. Riley (Comp)	Dillingham, AK	05/15/2003	04/25/2003
51,798	Semitool (Comp)	Kalispell, MT	05/16/2003	05/12/2003
51,799	Plastech Corporation (Comp)	Amery, WI	05/16/2003	05/12/2003
51,800	Meridian Automotive (Wkrs)	Centralia, IL	05/16/2003	05/15/2003
51,801	Solid State Securities (Wkrs)	Hazleton, PA	05/16/2003	05/13/2003
51,802	Lucent Technologies (Wkrs)	Columbus, OH	05/16/2003	05/12/2003
51,803	North American Cronite (Wkrs)	N. Ridgeville, OH	05/16/2003	05/09/2003
51,804	Link-Belt Construction Equipment (Comp)	Lexington, KY	05/16/2003	05/08/2003
51,805	Plexus Electronic Assembly (Wkrs)	Richmond, KY	05/16/2003	05/07/2003

APPENDIX—PETITIONS INSTITUTED BETWEEN 05/12/2003 AND 05/16/2003—Continued

TA-W	Subject firm (petitioners)	Location	Date of institution	Date of petition
51,806	Fishing Vessel (F/V) Mattie Lynn (Comp)	Nililchik, AK	05/16/2003	04/28/2003

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-51,419]

Vaisala, Inc., A Wholly Owned Subsidiary of Vaisal OYJ, Columbus Operations, Plain City, OH; Notice of Revised Determination on Reconsideration

By application of May 2, 2003, a worker requested administrative reconsideration regarding the Department's Negative Determination Regarding Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance, applicable to the workers of the subject firm.

The initial investigation resulted in a negative determination issued on April 18, 2003 based on the finding that imports of automated weather observation systems (AWOS) did not contribute importantly to worker separations at the subject plant. The denial notice was published in the **Federal Register** on May 7, 2003 (68 FR 24503).

To support the request for reconsideration, the worker supplied additional information to supplement that which was gathered during the initial investigation. Upon further review and contact with the company, it was revealed that, subsequent to the closure of the plant, the company shifted production to one of their foreign facilities and began importing components of the AWOS system that were like or directly competitive with components produced at the subject facility in the relevant period. It was also determined that the production of these components at the subject facility comprised a significant portion of overall production.

Conclusion

After careful review of the facts obtained in the investigation, I determine that there was a shift in production from the workers' firm or subdivision to a foreign source of articles that are like or directly competitive with those produced by the

subject firm or subdivision, and there has been or is likely to be an increase in imports of like or directly competitive articles. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, I make the following certification:

All workers of Vaisala, Inc., A Wholly Owned Subsidiary of Vaisal OYJ, Columbus Operations, Plain City, Ohio, who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after March 27, 2002 through two years from the date of this certification, are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed in Washington, DC this 3rd day of June 2003.

Elliott S. Kushner,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-51,415]

Washington Group IDC, Manassas, VA; Notice of Affirmative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration

By letter of June 2, 2003, a petitioner requested administrative reconsideration of the Department of Labor's Notice of Negative Determination Regarding Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance, applicable to workers of the subject firm. The denial notice was signed on May 9, 2003, and published in the **Federal Register** on June 3, 2003 (68 FR 33197).

The investigation revealed that the petitioning workers of this firm or subdivision do not produce an article within the meaning of section 222(3) of the Act.

The petitioners supplied additional information alleging that they produce a product at an unaffiliated facility whose workers are certified eligible to apply for trade adjustment assistance (Micron Technology, Manassas, Virginia, TA-W-51,231). The Department will conduct further investigation to address this issue.

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 9th day of June, 2003.

Elliott S. Kushner,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice (03071)]

NASA Advisory Committee; Notice of Establishment

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

The Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration has determined that the establishment of a Return to Flight Task Group is necessary and in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed upon NASA by law. This determination follows consultation with the Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration.

Name of Committee: Return to Flight Task Group.

Purpose and Objective: The Task Group will perform an independent assessment of NASA's actions to implement the recommendations of the Columbia Accident Investigation Board (CAIB), as they relate to the safety and operational readiness of STS-114. While the Task Group will not attempt to assess the adequacy of the CAIB recommendations, it will report on the progress of NASA's response to meet their intent. The Task Group will draw on the expertise of its members and other sources to provide its assessment to the Administrator. The Task Group will hold meetings and make site visits as necessary to accomplish their fact-finding. The Task Group will be provided information necessary to perform its advisory functions, including activities of both the Agency and its contractors. The Task Group will