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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-59,491]

Quality Cleaning Service Employed at Western Graphics Corporation; Eugene, OR; Notice of Termination of Investigation

Pursuant to section 221 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, an investigation was initiated on May 31, 2006 in response to a worker petition filed by a company official on behalf of workers at Quality Cleaning Service employed at Western Graphics Corporation, Eugene, Oregon.

The petitioning group of workers is covered by an active certification (TA-W-59,074) which expires on March 30, 2008. This certification was amended on June 7, 2006 to include any employees of Quality Cleaning Service employed at Western Graphics Corporation in Eugene, Oregon. Consequently, further investigation in this case would serve no purpose, and the investigation has been terminated.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 23rd day of June 2006.

Richard Church,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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[TA-W-59,227]

The York Group Metal Casket Assembly; Matthews Casket Division; A Subsidiary of Matthews International; Marshfield, MO; Notice of Affirmative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration

By letter dated June 18, 2006, 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 17, 2006, and published in the *Federal Register* on June 9, 2006 (71 FR 33488).

The initial investigation resulted in a negative determination based on the

finding that the subject firm did not separate or threaten to separate a significant number or proportion of workers as required by section 222 of the Trade Act of 1974. Significant number or proportion of the workers in a firm or appropriate subdivision thereof, means that at least three workers with a workforce of fewer than 50 workers or five percent of the workers with a workforce of 50 or more.

The Department reviewed the request for reconsideration and has determined that the petitioner has provided additional information. Therefore, the Department will conduct further investigation to determine if the workers meet the eligibility requirements of the Trade Act of 1974.

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 12th of July 2006.

Elliott S. Kushner,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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Proposed Collection; Comment Request

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 collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Employment and Training Administration is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of the data collection for the Evaluation of

the Individual Training Account Experiment (1205-0441, expires October 31, 2006). A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the addressee section of this notice or at this Web site: <http://www.doleta.gov/Performance/guidance/OMBControlNumber.cfm>.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addressee section below on or before September 25, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Janet Javar, Office of Policy Development and Research, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-5637, 200 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20210. Phone (202) 693-3677 (this is not a toll-free number), fax (202) 693-3584, or e-mail Javar.Janet@dol.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background: The Individual Training Account (ITA) experiment is designed to test different approaches to managing customer choice in the administration of Individual Training Accounts (ITAs). Established under the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) of 1998, ITAs are intended to empower U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) customers to choose the training services they need.

WIA allows state and local offices a great deal of flexibility in deciding how much guidance and financial support they will provide to ITA recipients. The ITA experiment tests three approaches that differ widely in both the resources made available to customers and the involvement of local counselors to guide customer choice. The three ITA approaches range from a highly structured model to a pure voucher model:

- In Approach 1, local counselors steer their customers to training that is expected to yield a high return (in the form of increased earnings) relative to the resources invested in training. Moreover, counselors can approve or disapprove customers' program selections and set the value of the ITA to fund approved selections.
- In Approach 2, customers receive a fixed ITA award. Local counselors then help customers select training that seems appropriate and feasible, given customers' skills and their fixed ITA awards and other financial resources they have available to pay for training.
- In Approach 3, customers are offered a fixed ITA award, but they are allowed to choose any state-approved training option and to formulate their program selections independently if they so desire.