

**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR****Employment and Training Administration****Announcement of Public Briefings on Using Redesigned Labor Certification Forms and Stakeholder Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Foreign Labor Certification (OFLC) in the Department of Labor's Employment & Training Administration (ETA) has been re-engineering several of its program forms to improve the information it collects from the public. These changes are intended to improve the application to and day-to-day operation of OFLC programs. The system re-engineering will impact the program for the Temporary Employment of Nonimmigrants in Professional, Specialty Occupations, and as Fashion Models (H-1B, H-1B1, and E-3). The Form ETA 9035, the *Labor Condition Application* (OMB control number 1205-0310) used for the H-1B, H-1B1, and E-3 programs, was redesigned and submitted for public comment, 73 FR 36357, Jun. 26, 2008, and for review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), 73 FR 66259, Nov. 7, 2008. In addition, the Permanent Labor Certification Program (PERM), OFLC will be implementing changes to the electronic filing process and is implementing a revised application form. The redesigned Form ETA 9089 (OMB control number 1205-451) has been approved by OMB subject to review of the final electronic version.

ETA is issuing this notice to announce that OFLC will offer two public briefings to educate stakeholders, program users, and other interested members of the public on using the re-engineered 9035 and 9089 application forms, and the online portal system by which most users file program applications.

ETA will also hold a stakeholder meeting in San Diego, California on February 3, 2009.

As currently planned, the two briefings will take place in February, 2009 in San Diego and Baltimore, Maryland. This notice provides the public with locations, dates, and registration information regarding the briefings.

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Avenue, NW., Room C-4312, Washington, DC 20210; Telephone: (202) 693-3010 (this is not a toll-free number).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The following registration information should be used by any member of the public planning to attend any of the briefing sessions.

*San Diego:* February 4, 2009.

*Time:* 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

PERM Update (changes to electronic filing and new application form) and H-1B LCA Form 9035.

*Location:* Manchester Grand Hyatt, One Market Place, San Diego, California 92101

*Washington, DC:* February 9, 2009.

*Time:* 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

PERM Update (changes to electronic filing and new application form) and H-1B LCA Form 9035.

*Location:* Baltimore Marriott Inner Harbor at Camden Yards, 110 South Eutaw Street, Baltimore, MD 21202.

*Registration:* To register for one of the briefings listed above, please use the following information. To complete the registration process on-line, please visit <http://www.dtiassociates.com/oflcbriefings>. For questions regarding the registration process, please call (703) 299-1623 (this is not a toll-free number). Due to space considerations, attendance will be limited to those who register on-line.

Signed in Washington, DC, this 9th day of January 2009.

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**Trilogy Finishing, Inc., Detroit, MI; Notice of Revised Determination on Reopening**

On January 5, 2009, the Department, on its own motion, reopened its investigation for workers and former workers of the subject firm. Trilogy Finishing, Inc. in Detroit, Michigan is comprised of the Office and Buffing Plant and the Plating Plant.

The initial investigation resulted in a negative determination issued on December 15, 2008, based on the finding that there were no increased imports of articles like or directly competitive with buffed, polished and/or nickel-plated

metal parts produced by Trilogy Finishing, Inc., nor did the firm shift that production to a foreign country. Since the workers were denied eligibility to apply for trade adjustment assistance (TAA) they were also denied eligibility to apply for alternative trade adjustment assistance (ATAA) for older workers. The notice will be published soon in the **Federal Register**.

After the decision was issued, the Department received a response to the survey conducted for the primary customers of Trilogy Finishing, Inc., Detroit, Michigan, regarding their purchases of buffed, polished and/or nickel-chrome plated metal parts (including like or directly competitive articles) in 2006, 2007, and January through September of 2007 and 2008. This late survey response showed that the customer increased import purchases while reducing purchases from the subject firm.

There were declines in employment and production at Trilogy Finishing, Inc., Detroit, Michigan, during the relevant period.

Based on these findings, it is determined in this case that the requirements of (a)(2)(A) of Section 222 have been met.

In order for the Department to issue a certification of eligibility to apply for alternative trade adjustment assistance ATAA, the group eligibility requirements of Section 246 of the Trade Act must be met. The Department has determined in this case that the requirements of Section 246 have been met.

A significant number of workers at the firm are age 50 or over and possess skills that are not easily transferable.

**Conclusion**

After careful consideration of the new facts obtained on reopening, it is concluded that increased imports of articles like or directly competitive with buffed, polished and/or nickel-chrome plated metal parts produced by Trilogy Finishing, Inc., Detroit, Michigan, contributed importantly to the total or partial separation of workers and to the decline in sales or production at that firm or subdivision.

In accordance with the provisions of the Trade Act of 1974, I make the following revised determination:

"All workers of Trilogy Finishing, Inc., Detroit, Michigan, who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after October 3, 2007 through two years from the date of certification, are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974, and are also eligible to apply for alternative trade adjustment assistance under Section 246 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended."