DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W–74,897]

Penske Logistics LLC a Subsidiary of General Electric/Penske Corporation Including On-Site Leased Workers From Kelly Temporary Services and Manpower; El Paso, TX; Notice of Affirmative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration

By application dated February 18, 2011, the petitioners requested administrative reconsideration of the negative determination regarding workers’ eligibility to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) applicable to workers and former workers of Penske Logistics LLC, a subsidiary of General Electric/Penske Corporation, El Paso, Texas (subject firm). The determination was issued on January 7, 2011. The Department’s Notice of Determination was published in the Federal Register on January 26, 2011 (76 FR 4729). The subject firm supplies warehousing services which includes storage, processing, and shipping services for the automotive industry.

The negative determination was based on the findings that, during the period under investigation, subject firm sales and/or production did not decline during the relevant period and the subject firm did not shift to another country the supply of storage, processing and shipping services (or like or directly competitive services).

In the request for reconsideration, the petitioners alleged that “All departments have been impacted in the outsourcing of our work requirements into Mexico Delphi Plant locations” and identified specific functions that have allegedly shifted abroad “since 2009 (maybe 2008)” due to “X-dock implementation needs into Mexico” and specific locations in Mexico to where the services allegedly shifted—“Mochis Sinaloa, Mequi Chihuahua, Juarez Chih, and * * * Chihuahua Chihuahua who is currently on hold due to plant transitioning into Durango.”

The Department has carefully reviewed the workers’ request for reconsideration and the existing record, and has determined that the Department will conduct further investigation to determine if the petitioning workers meet the eligibility requirements of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended.

Conclusion

After careful review of the application, I conclude that the claim is of sufficient weight to justify reconsideration of the U.S. Department of Labor's prior decision. The application is, therefore, granted.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 18th day of March, 2011.

Del Min Amy Chen,
Certifying Officer, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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Investigations Regarding Certifications of Eligibility To Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance and Alternative Trade 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, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than April 8, 2011. Interested persons are invited to submit written comments regarding the subject matter of the investigations to the Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than April 8, 2011.

The petitions filed in this case are available for inspection at the Office of the Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N–5428, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20210.