Negative Determinations for Alternative Trade Adjustment Assistance

In the following cases, it has been determined that the requirements of 246(a)(3)(A)(ii) have not been met for the reasons specified.

The Department has determined that criterion (1) of Section 246 has not been met. The firm does not have a significant number of workers 50 years of age or older.

None.

The Department has determined that criterion (2) of Section 246 has not been met. Workers at the firm possess skills that are easily transferable.

None.

The Department has determined that criterion (3) of Section 246 has not been met. Competition conditions within the workers’ industry are not adverse.

None.

Negative Determinations for Worker Adjustment Assistance and Alternative Trade Adjustment Assistance

In the following cases, the investigation revealed that the eligibility criteria for worker adjustment assistance have not been met for the reasons specified.

Because the workers of the firm are not eligible to apply for TAA, the workers cannot be certified eligible for ATAA.

The investigation revealed that criteria (a)(2)(A)(I.A) and (a)(2)(B)(II.A) (employment decline) have not been met.

None.

The investigation revealed that criteria (a)(2)(A)(I.B) (Sales or production, or both, did not decline) and (a)(2)(B)(II.B) (shift in production to a foreign country) have not been met.

None.

The investigation revealed that criteria (a)(2)(A)(I.C) (increased imports) and (a)(2)(B)(II.B) (shift in production to a foreign country) have not been met.

None.

The workers’ firm does not produce an article as required for certification under Section 222 of the Trade Act of 1974.

The investigation revealed that criterion of Section 222(b)(2) has not been met. The workers’ firm (or subdivision) is not a supplier to or a downstream producer for a firm whose workers were certified eligible to apply for TAA.

None.

Determinations Terminating Investigations of Petitions for Worker Adjustment Assistance

After notice of the petitions was published in the Federal Register and on the Department’s Web site, as required by Section 221 of the Act (19 U.S.C. 2271), the Department initiated investigations of these petitions.

The following determinations terminating investigations were issued because the petitioner has requested that the petition be withdrawn.

TA–W–80,045; Brookline Furniture LLC, formerly known as Brooks Finch LLC, Conover, NC.

I hereby certify that the aforementioned determinations were issued during the period of April 25, 2011 through April 29, 2011. Copies of these determinations may be requested under the Freedom of Information Act. Request may be submitted by fax, courier services, or mail to FOIA Disclosure Officer, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance (ETA), U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210 or tofoiarequest@dol.gov. These determinations also are available on the Department’s Web site at http://www.doleta.gov/tradeact under the searchable listing of determinations.

Dated: May 11, 2011.

Michael W. Jaffe,
Certifying Officer, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Employment and Training Administration
Notice of Revised Determination on Reconsideration; Severstal Wheeling, Inc., et al.

TA–W–71,572
Severstal Wheeling, Inc., a Subsidiary of Severstal North America, Inc. Martins Ferry, Ohio

TA–W–71,572A
Severstal Wheeling, Inc., a Subsidiary of Severstal North America, Inc., Yorkville, Ohio

TA–W–71,572B
Severstal Wheeling, Inc., a Subsidiary of Severstal North America, Inc., Mingo Junction, Ohio

TA–W–71,572C
Severstal Wheeling, Inc., a Subsidiary of Severstal North America, Inc., Steubenville, Ohio


The subject worker groups do not include any on-site leased or temporary workers and exclude workers of Severstal International, Sparrows Point, Maryland (TA–W–74,919; certification issued on February 9, 2011).

During the reconsideration investigation, the Department received additional and new information from the subject firm, conducted an expanded customer survey, reviewed relevant information obtained from affiliated facilities, and analyzed import data of articles like or directly competitive with the coils produced at the subject facilities.

Section 222(a)(1) has been met because a significant number or proportion of workers at each of the subject facilities became totally or partially separated, or threatened with such separation.

Section 222(a)(2)(A)(i) has been met because sales or production of steel coils at each of the subject facilities decreased absolutely.

Section 222(a)(2)(A)(ii) has been met because there were increased imports of articles like or directly competitive with the steel coils produced at the respective facilities, during the relevant periods.

Finally, Section 222(a)(2)(A)(iii) has been met because the increased imports contributed importantly to worker group separations and sales/production declines at each of the subject facilities.

Conclusion

After careful review of the additional facts obtained on reconsideration, I determine that workers of the subject facilities meet the worker group certification criteria under Section 222(a) of the Act, 19 U.S.C. 2272(a). In accordance with Section 223 of the Act, 19 U.S.C. 2273, I make the following certification:

All workers of Severstal Wheeling, Inc., a subsidiary of Severstal North America, Inc., Martins Ferry, Ohio (TA–W–71,572); Severstal Wheeling, Inc., a subsidiary of
Severstal North America, Inc., Yorkville, Ohio (TA–W–71,572A); Severstal Wheeling, Inc., a subsidiary of Severstal North America, Inc., Mingo Junction, Ohio (TA–W–71,572B); and Severstal Wheeling, Inc., a subsidiary of Severstal North America, Inc., Steubenville, Ohio (TA–W–71,572C), who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after June 17, 2008, through two years from the date of this revised certification, and all workers in the group threatened with total or partial separation from employment on date of certification through two years from the date of certification, are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Chapter 2 of Title II of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended.

Signed in Washington, DC, this 6th day of May, 2011.

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

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 50–277 and 50–278; NRC–2011–0112]

Exelon Generation Company, LLC; Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station Unit Nos. 2 and 3; Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is considering issuance of an amendment for renewed Facility Operating License Nos. DPR–44 and DPR–56, issued to Exelon Generation Company, LLC (Exelon, the licensee) for operation of the Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station, Units 2 and 3 (PBAPS), located near Lancaster, Pennsylvania, in accordance with Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) 50.90. In accordance with 10 CFR 51.21, the NRC staff prepared an environmental assessment documenting its finding. Based on the results of the environmental assessment, the NRC is issuing a finding of no significant impact.

Environmental Assessment

Identification of the Proposed Action

The proposed action would revise the renewed Facility Operating License for PBAPS to possess, but not separate, byproduct material, specifically Class B and Class C low-level radioactive waste (LLRW), from Exelon’s Limerick Generating Station, Units 1 and 2 (LGS). The LLRW will be stored in the PBAPS Low-Level Radioactive Waste Storage Facility (LLRWSF).

The proposed action is in accordance with the licensee’s application dated January 6, 2010, as supplemented by letters dated August 20, 2010, October 14, 2010, and December 6, 2010.

The Need for the Proposed Action

The proposed action is needed to provide the licensee with adequate storage capacity, in lieu of constructing alternate storage facilities, for its Class B and Class C LLRW generated at LGS since it does not currently have access to a licensed disposal facility for this LLRW. The State of South Carolina’s licensed low-level radioactive waste disposal facility, located in Barnwell, has limited access to the facility from radioactive waste generators located in States that are not part of the Atlantic Low-Level Waste Compact. Pennsylvania is not a member of the Atlantic Low-Level Waste Compact. Therefore, LGS and PBAPS do not have access to the Barnwell disposal facility for their Class B and Class C LLRW. LGS does not have the capability to store all the LLRW it generates. However, PBAPS has a LLRWSF capable of safely storing a large amount of LLRW, on an interim basis.

Environmental Impacts of the Proposed Action

The proposed action involves the transportation of LLRW from LGS for interim storage at PBAPS. The LLRW will be transported by truck in accordance with U.S. Department of Transportation and NRC regulations. The distance between the plant sites is less than the distance that was previously traveled to the Barnwell disposal facility in South Carolina. The licensee anticipates that there will be approximately two to three shipments a year of LLRW to PBAPS from LGS. The projected number of shipments is consistent with the past annual average number of trips to the Barnwell facility. While the total travel distance for LLRW generated at LGS, once a new disposal site is determined, may be more or less than the current travel distance from LGS to the Barnwell facility, this circumstance is subject to change regardless of interim storage at PBAPS. Since eventual transport of LLRW to a final disposal site will be accomplished in accordance with NRC and DOT regulations, no significant environmental impact will result regardless of the distance to the final disposal site. However, the proposed action will reduce the total annual number of miles driven for the transport of LLRW during the interim storage period. With less miles traveled, it is expected that there will be no change or possibly a corresponding reduction in the impacts associated with transportation during the interim storage period, such as lower radiation exposure to the truck driver and members of the public along the transportation route. The proposed action would not result in an increased risk of accidents and radiological hazards beyond those associated with the transport to the Barnwell facility. There will be no change to radioactive effluents from the power plants or the LLRW containers that affect radiation exposures to plant workers and members of the public. The interim storage building is designed to comply with NRC regulatory guidance, primarily Generic Letter 81–38, “Storage of Low-Level Radioactive Wastes at Power Reactor Sites,” November 10, 1981, and to meet radiation protection standards in 10 CFR part 20, “Standards for Protection Against Radiation,” and 40 CFR part 190, “Environmental Radiation Protection Standards for Nuclear Power Operations.” Guidance in Section 11.4, “Solid Waste Management System,” of NUREG–0800, “Safety Review Plan for the Review of Safety Analysis and Reports for Nuclear Power Plants,” Revision 3, March 2007, was also reviewed and assessed with respect to the proposed action. The cumulative dose from handling the LLRW from PBAPS and from the additional LLRW from the LGS will be controlled by station procedures to ensure compliance with the radiation dose standards to workers and members of the public. Based on this information, the staff concludes that the radiological impacts associated with the transportation, handling, and storage of LLRW at PBAPS will not result in a significant impact to plant workers and members of the public.

The proposed action will not significantly increase the probability or consequences of accidents. No changes are being made in the types of effluents that may be released offsite. There is no significant increase in the amount of any effluent released offsite. There is no significant increase in occupational or public radiation exposure. Therefore, there are no significant radiological or environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

The proposed action does not involve a change to plant buildings or land areas on the PBAPS site. The proposed action does not result in changes to land use or water use, or result in changes to the quality or quantity of non-radiological effluents. With less miles traveled, it is expected that there will be no change or possibly a corresponding reduction in the impacts associated with transportation such as reduced use of fossil fuels and reduced air emissions