number) or by email at DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Veterans Supplement to the Current Population Survey (CPS) is conducted annually. This supplement is co-sponsored by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and by the U.S. DOL’s Veterans’ Employment and Training Service (VETS). Data collected through this supplement is used by the co-sponsors to determine policies that better meet the needs of our Nation’s veteran population. The supplement provides information on the labor force status of veterans with a service-connected disability, combat veterans, past or present National Guard and Reserve members, and recently discharged veterans. In addition, location of service questions separately identify Afghanistan, Iraq, and Vietnam veterans. Data are provided by period of service and a range of demographic characteristics. The supplement also provides information about veterans’ participation in various transition and employment training programs. Respondents are veterans who are not currently on active duty or are members of a household where a veteran lives.

This information collection is subject to the PRA. A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless it is approved by the OMB under the PRA and displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information that does not display a valid Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6. The DOL obtains OMB approval for this information collection under Control Number 1220–0102. The current approval is scheduled to expire on June 30, 2013; however, it should be noted that existing information collection requirements submitted to the OMB receive a month-to-month extension while they undergo review. For additional information, see the related notice published in the Federal Register on January 10, 2013 (78 FR 2292).

Interested parties are encouraged to send comments to the OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the address shown in the ADDRESSES section within 30 days of publication of this notice in the Federal Register. In order to help ensure appropriate consideration, comments should mention OMB Control Number 1220–0102. The OMB is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Agency: DOL–BLS.

Title of Collection: Veterans Supplement to the Current Population Survey.

OMB Control Number: 1220–0102.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Total Estimated Number of Respondents: 10,000.

Total Estimated Number of Responses: 10,000.

Total Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 333.

Total Estimated Annual Other Costs Burden: $0.


Michel Smyth, Departmental Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA–W–82,339]


In accordance with Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (“Act”), 19 U.S.C. 2273, the Department of Labor (Department) issued a Certification of Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance on February 20, 2013, applicable to workers of Mondelez Global LLC, Business Services Center, including on-site leased workers from Abacus Service Corporation, American Cybersystems, Inc., Collabera, Kelly Services, Kforce, Inc., Lancesoft, Inc., Northbound, LLC, RCG Information Technology, Inc., Robert Half International, Sunrise Systems, Syncetics, Inc., and The Fountain Group and workers whose unemployment insurance (UI) wages were reported through Kraft Foods, Inc., San Antonio, Texas. The workers are engaged in activities related to the supply of accounts payable, travel and expense, and administration, including the continuous improvement team.

New information obtained by the Department revealed that workers from several additional leasing agencies are part of the certified worker group at Mondelez Global LLC, Business Services Center, San Antonio, Texas. The leasing agencies are: Advantech Solutions, Hewlett-Packard, and Pitney Bowes, Inc. The leased workers from the aforementioned agencies worked on-site at Mondelez Global LLC, Business Services Center, San Antonio, Texas.

The intent of the Department’s certification is to include all leased workers on-site at Mondelez Global LLC, Business Services Center, San Antonio, Texas, who were adversely affected by the subject firm’s acquisition of like or directly competitive services from a foreign country. The amended
notice applicable to TA-W–82,339 is hereby issued as follows:

“All workers of Mondelēz Global LLC, Business Services Center, including on-site leased workers from Abacus Service Corporation, Advantech Solutions, American CyberSystems, Inc., Collabera, Hewlett-Packard, Kelly Services, Kforce, Inc., Lancesoft, Northbound, LLC, Pitney Bowes, Inc., RCG Information Technology, Inc., Robert Half International, Sunrise Systems, Synectics, Inc., and The Fountain Group and workers whose unemployment insurance (UI) wages were reported through Kraft Foods, Inc., San Antonio, Texas, who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after January 11, 2012, through February 20, 2015, and all workers in the group threatened with total or partial separation from employment on the 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 at Washington, DC this 3rd day of April, 2013.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA–W–82,156]

Johnstown Specialty Castings, Inc., A Subsidiary of WHEMCO, Johnstown, PA; Notice of Negative Determination on Reconsideration

The initial investigation, initiated on February 8, 2012, on behalf of workers of Johnstown Specialty Castings, Inc., a subsidiary of WHEMCO, Johnstown, Pennsylvania (subject firm) resulted in a negative determination, issued on January 8, 2013. The Department’s notice of negative determination was published in the Federal Register on February 6, 2013 (78 FR 8591).

The group eligibility requirements for workers of a Firm under Section 222(a) of the Act, 19 U.S.C. 2272(a), can be satisfied if the following criteria are met:

1. A significant number or proportion of the workers in such workers’ firm have become totally or partially separated, or are threatened to become totally or partially separated; and
2. (A) The sales or production, or both, of such firm have decreased absolutely; (ii) Imports of articles or services like or directly competitive with articles produced or services supplied by such firm have increased; and (ii) Imports of articles like or directly competitive with articles—

(aa) into which one or more component parts produced by such firm are directly incorporated, or
(bb) Which are produced directly using services supplied by such firm, have increased; or
(iii) Imports of articles directly incorporating one or more component parts produced outside the United States that are like or directly competitive with imports of articles incorporating one or more component parts produced by such firm have increased; and
(iii) The increase in imports described in clause (ii) contributed importantly to such workers’ separation or threat of separation and to the decline in the sales or production of such firm; or
(ii) The shift described in clause (i)(I) or the acquisition of articles or services described in clause (i)(II) contributed importantly to such workers’ separation or threat of separation.

Initial investigation

The initial investigation began when a representative from United Steelworkers, Local 2632, filed a petition for Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA), dated November 6, 2012, on behalf of workers and former workers of the subject firm. The workers are engaged in employment related to the production of steel castings, slag pots, steel rolls, steel sleeves, and mill liners.

The negative determination was based on the findings that there was less than a significant number or proportion of worker separations at the subject firm during the relevant time period (November 2011 through October 2012).

Reconsideration Investigation

By application dated February 2, 2013, the petitioner requested administrative reconsideration of the Department’s negative determination regarding the eligibility of the subject worker group to apply for adjustment assistance.

In the request for reconsideration, the petitioner stated that “When (the petition was) filed * * * temporary layoffs had just started * * * On January 23, 2013, Whemco * * * sent a WARN notice letter * * * stating new layoffs will begin March 4, 2013 * * * ” On February 25, 2013, the Department issued a Notice of Affirmative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration in order to conduct further investigation to determine worker eligibility. The Department’s Notice was published in the Federal Register on March 8, 2013 (78 FR 15048).

In the course of the reconsideration investigation, the Department carefully reviewed previously-submitted information and collected additional information from the subject firm to address the petitioner’s allegation.

According to 29 CFR 90.2, Layoff means a suspension from pay status for lack of work initiated by the employer and expected to last for no less than seven (7) consecutive calendar days: Significant number or proportion of the workers means that (a) in most cases the total or partial separations, or both, in a firm or appropriate subdivision thereof, are the equivalent to a total unemployment of five percent (5 percent) of the workers or 50 workers, whichever is less; or (b) at least three workers in a firm (or appropriate subdivision thereof) with a work force of fewer than 50 workers would ordinarily have to be affected; and Threatened to begin means, in the context of impending total or partial separations, the date on which it could reasonably be predicted that separations were imminent.

The information collected on reconsideration confirmed that, during the relevant time period, there were no layoffs, or a threat of layoffs, at the subject firm. Therefore, Section 222(a)(1) has not been met because a significant number or proportion of the workers at the subject firm did not become totally separated or partially separated during the period under investigation.

Conclusion

After careful review of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, applicable regulation, and information obtained during the initial and reconsideration investigations, I determine that workers and former workers of Johnstown Specialty Castings, Inc., a subsidiary of WHEMCO, Johnstown, Pennsylvania, are ineligible to apply for adjustment assistance.

Signed in Washington, DC, on this 3rd day of April, 2013.

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

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