DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Employment and Training Administration

[TA–W–82,388]
Aleris Recycling Bens Run, LLC, Including On-Site Leased Workers From Winans Extras Support Staffing and CDI Corporation, Friendly, West Virginia; Notice of Affirmative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration

By application dated April 24, 2013, United Steelworkers, Local 5724–2, requested administrative reconsideration of the negative determination regarding workers’ eligibility to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) applicable to workers and former workers of Aleris Recycling Bens Run, LLC, Friendly, West Virginia. The determination was issued on March 13, 2013. The workers’ firm is engaged in activities related to the production of aluminum ingots, sows, cones, and salt cakes.

The initial investigation resulted in a negative determination based on the findings that imports of articles like or directly competitive with the articles produced by the workers did not increase during the relevant period; the subject firm or its major customers did not import articles like or directly competitive with the articles produced by the workers; the subject firm did not shift production of the articles produced by the workers to a foreign country, and did not acquire production of like or directly competitive articles from a foreign country; the subject firm is neither a Supplier nor Downstream Producer to a firm (or subdivision, whichever is applicable) that employed a group of workers who received a certification of eligibility under Section 222(a) of the Act, 19 U.S.C. 2272(a); and the subject firm has not been publicly identified by name by the International Trade Commission as a member of a domestic industry in an investigation resulting in an affirmative finding of serious injury, market disruption, or material injury, or threat thereof.

The request for reconsideration alleges that the subject firm is a downstream producer to a firm who employed worker groups eligible to apply for TAA under TA–W–81,520 and TA–W–81,520G; and the worker separations are due to the shift in the supply of services to another country.

The Department has carefully reviewed the request for reconsideration and the existing record, and will conduct further investigation to determine if the 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 8th day of May, 2013.

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

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Notice of Determinations Regarding Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance

In accordance with Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (19 U.S.C. 2273) the Department of Labor herein presents summaries of determinations regarding eligibility to apply for trade adjustment assistance for workers by (TA–W) number issued during the period of April 29, 2013 through May 3, 2013.

In order for an affirmative determination to be made for workers of a primary firm and a certification issued regarding eligibility to apply for worker adjustment assistance, each of the group eligibility requirements of Section 222(a) of the Act must be met.

I. Under Section 222(a)(2)(A), the following must be satisfied:

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;
2. The sales or production, or both, of such firm have decreased absolutely; and
3. One of the following must be satisfied:
   A. Imports of articles or services like or directly competitive with articles produced or services supplied by such firm have increased;
   B. Imports of articles like or directly competitive with articles into which one or more component parts produced by such firm are directly incorporated, have increased;
   C. 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;