

with instructions issued by the Department. The assessment and instructions are referred to as the Tax Performance System (TPS). Currently, the ETA is soliciting comments concerning the collection of data pertaining to the TPS.

DATES: Submit written comments to the office listed in the address section below on or before March 24, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Joseph Toth, Office of Unemployment Insurance, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room S-4522, 200 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC, 20210. Telephone number 202-693-3894 (this is not a toll-free number). Individuals with hearing or speech impairments may access the telephone number above via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 1-877-889-5627 (TTY/TDD). Email: toth.joseph@dol.gov. To obtain a copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR), please contact the person listed above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Since 1987, states have been required by regulation at 20 CFR part 602 to operate a program to assess their Unemployment Insurance (UI) tax and benefit programs. TPS is designed to assess the major internal UI tax functions by utilizing several methodologies: Computed Measures, which are indicators of timeliness and completeness based on data automatically generated via the existing ETA 581, Contribution Operations Report (Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval number 1205-0178, expiring 02/28/2015, and currently under review for extension at OMB); and Program Reviews, which assess accuracy through a two-fold examination. This examination involves: (a) "Systems Reviews" which examine tax systems for the existence of internal controls; and (b) extraction of small samples of those systems' transactions which are then examined to verify the effectiveness of controls.

II. Review Focus

The Department is particularly interested in comments which:

- 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.

III. Current Actions

Type of Review: Extension without change.

Title: Tax Performance System.

OMB Number: 1205-0332.

Affected Public: State Workforce Agencies.

Estimated Total Annual Respondents: 52.

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 1739 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 90,428.

Total Estimated Annual Other Cost Burden: \$4,543,637.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of the ICR; they will also become a matter of public record.

Portia Wu,

Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training, Labor.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Investigations Regarding Eligibility To Apply for Worker 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 Office 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 February 2, 2015.

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 February 2, 2015.

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.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 8th day of January 2015.

Michael W. Jaffe,

Certifying Officer, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

APPENDIX

[33 TAA Petitions instituted between 12/15/14 and 1/2/15]

TA-W	Subject firm (petitioners)	Location	Date of institution	Date of petition
85719	Mastercraft Specialties (Workers)	Red Lion, PA	12/15/14	12/15/14
85720	Xerox Commercial Solutions, LLC (State/One-Stop)	Kennett, MO	12/15/14	12/12/14
85721	IBM—International Business Machine (State/One-Stop)	San Antonio, TX	12/15/14	12/12/14
85722	Triumph Aerostructures, Vought Aircraft Division (State/One-Stop).	Red Oak, TX	12/15/14	12/12/14
85723	Covidien (Company)	Costa Mesa, CA	12/16/14	12/15/14
85724	Fiberoptic Lighting Inc. (State/One-Stop)	Grants Pass, OR	12/16/14	12/15/14

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[33 TAA Petitions instituted between 12/15/14 and 1/2/15]

TA–W	Subject firm (petitioners)	Location	Date of institution	Date of petition
85725	LexisNexis (Company)	Colorado Springs, CO	12/16/14	12/15/14
85726	Hewlett-Packard Enterprise Group Americas Supply Chain Houston Manufacturing (Company)	Houston, TX	12/16/14	12/15/14
85727	Tokyo Electron America (Workers)	Rio Rancho, NM	12/16/14	11/10/14
85728	Advanced Micro Devices, Inc. (State/One-Stop)	Austin, TX	12/16/14	12/15/14
85729	General Cable Corporation (Company)	Altoona, PA	12/17/14	12/16/14
85730	Johnston Textiles, Inc. (Company)	Phoenix City, AL	12/17/14	12/16/14
85731	Sun Life Financial (State/One-Stop)	Wellesley, MA	12/17/14	12/16/14
85732	Norandal USA, Inc (State/One-Stop)	Newport, AR	12/18/14	12/17/14
85733	Brake Parts Inc. (Company)	Stanford, KY	12/18/14	12/17/14
85734	Magy Staffing (Company)	Holland, OH	12/18/14	12/16/14
85735	Verge America Ltd. (Workers)	New Windsor, NY	12/18/14	12/16/14
85736	Kolektor TKI Inc. (Company)	Fountain Inn, SC	12/18/14	12/17/14
85737	Quantum Foods (Workers)	Bolingbrook, IL	12/18/14	12/17/14
85738	XRS Corporation (Company)	Burnsville, MN	12/19/14	12/18/14
85739	Nippon Paper Industries USA (Union)	Port Angeles, WA	12/19/14	12/18/14
85740	Amerida Premium Hardwoods (State/One-Stop)	Greenville, MI	12/19/14	12/18/14
85741	Maersk (Workers)	Charlotte, NC	12/22/14	12/19/14
85742	GM Orion Assembly (State/One-Stop)	Lake Orion, MI	12/22/14	12/19/14
85743	Osram Sylvania Inc. (Union)	St. Mary's, PA	12/22/14	12/19/14
85744	Kroll Factual Data (Company)	Loveland, CO	12/22/14	12/19/14
85745	International Paper Company (Company)	Suffolk, VA	12/23/14	12/22/14
85746	Pilkington North America (Union)	Lathrop, CA	12/29/14	12/26/14
85747	JP Morgan Chase (Workers)	Akron, OH	12/29/14	12/05/14
85748	Littelfuse Inc. (Company)	Lake Mills, WI	12/30/14	12/29/14
85749	St. Thomas Medical Group LLC (Workers)	Nashville, TN	12/31/14	12/31/14
85750	Maracom Corporation (Company)	Willmar, MN	12/31/14	12/30/14
85751	DST Systems Inc (Workers)	Kansas City, MO	01/02/15	01/01/15

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Employment and Training
Administration****Notice of Determinations Regarding
Eligibility To Apply for Worker
Adjustment Assistance and Alternative
Trade 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 (TA–W) number and alternative trade adjustment assistance (ATAA) by (TA–W) number issued during the period of December 15, 2014 through January 2, 2015.

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. Section (a)(2)(A) all of the following must be satisfied:

A. A significant number or proportion of the workers in such workers' firm, or

an appropriate subdivision of the firm, have become totally or partially separated, or are threatened to become totally or partially separated;

B. the sales or production, or both, of such firm or subdivision have decreased absolutely; and

C. increased imports of articles like or directly competitive with articles produced by such firm or subdivision have contributed importantly to such workers' separation or threat of separation and to the decline in sales or production of such firm or subdivision; or

II. Section (a)(2)(B) both of the following must be satisfied:

A. A significant number or proportion of the workers in such workers' firm, or an appropriate subdivision of the firm, have become totally or partially separated, or are threatened to become totally or partially separated;

B. there has been a shift in production by such workers' firm or subdivision to a foreign country of articles like or directly competitive with articles which are produced by such firm or subdivision; and

C. One of the following must be satisfied:

1. The country to which the workers' firm has shifted production of the articles is a party to a free trade agreement with the United States;

2. the country to which the workers' firm has shifted production of the articles to a beneficiary country under the Andean Trade Preference Act, African Growth and Opportunity Act, or the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act; or

3. there has been or is likely to be an increase in imports of articles that are like or directly competitive with articles which are or were produced by such firm or subdivision.

Also, in order for an affirmative determination to be made for secondarily affected workers of a firm and a certification issued regarding eligibility to apply for worker adjustment assistance, each of the group eligibility requirements of section 222(b) of the Act must be met.

(1) Significant number or proportion of the workers in the workers' firm or an appropriate subdivision of the firm have become totally or partially separated, or are threatened to become totally or partially separated;

(2) the workers' firm (or subdivision) is a supplier or downstream producer to a firm (or subdivision) that employed a group of workers who received a certification of eligibility to apply for trade adjustment assistance benefits and such supply or production is related to the article that was the basis for such certification; and