

applicable to workers of BHP Copper, Inc., Pinto Valley, Miami, Arizona. The notice was published in the **Federal Register** on April 5, 2002 (67 FR 16441).

At the request of the company, the Department reviewed the certification for workers of the subject firm. The company reports that worker separations occurred at the Tucson/San Manuel Arizona Operations and the Robinson Operations, Ely, Nevada location of BHP Copper, Inc.

Workers at the Tucson/San Manuel operation were engaged in the production of copper cathode until all plant production ceased in March, 2002. Workers at the Robinson operations were retained after all plant production ceased in 1999 to maintain the operating equipment and to facilitate the closing of the operation. Workers separated at the Robinson facility were previously certified for TAA in August, 1999 (TA-W-36,531A).

Based on these findings, the Department is amending the certification to include workers of the Tucson/San Manuel Operations and Robinson Operations, Ely, Nevada locations of BHP Copper, Inc.

The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers of BHP Copper, Inc. who were adversely affected by increased imports.

The amended notice applicable to TA-W-39, 749 is hereby issued as follows:

All workers of BHP Copper, Inc., Pinto Valley, Miami, Arizona (TA-W-39,749), BHP Copper, Inc., Tucson/San Manuel Operations, Tucson/San Manuel, Arizona (TA-W-39,749A) and BHP Copper, Inc., Robinson Operations, Ely, Nevada (TA-W-39,749B) who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after July 11, 2000, through March 25, 2004, are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 8th day of August, 2002.

Edward A. Tomchick,

Division, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-41,527]

BHP Copper, Inc., Tucson, AZ, Notice of Termination of Investigation

Pursuant to Section 221 of the Trade Act of 1974, an investigation was initiated on May 13, 2002 in response to

a worker petition which was filed on behalf of workers at BHP Copper, Inc., Tucson, Arizona.

An active certification covering the petitioning group of workers is already in effect (TA-W-39,749A, as amended). Consequently, further investigation in this case would serve no purpose, and the investigation has been terminated.

Signed in Washington, DC this 8th day of August, 2002.

Edward A. Tomchick,

Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-41,446]

Duel Systems, a Wholly Owned Subsidiary of Methode Electronics, San Jose, California; Notice of Termination of Investigation

Pursuant to section 221 of the Trade Act of 1974, an investigation was initiated on April 29, 2002 in response to a petition filed by a company official on behalf of workers at Duel Systems, a wholly owned subsidiary of Methode Electronics, San Jose, California.

The petitioner has requested that the petition be withdrawn. Consequently, further investigation in this case would serve no purpose, and the investigation has been terminated.

Signed in Washington, DC, this 5th day of August, 2002.

Linda G. Poole,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-41,155 and TA-W-41,155A]

International Steel Wool Corp., a Subsidiary of F.H. Bonn Co., Springfield, OH; International Steel Wool Corp., a Subsidiary of F.H. Bonn Co., Headquarters Office, Mission, TX; Amended Certification Regarding Eligibility To Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance

In accordance with section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2273) the Department of Labor issued a Notice of

Certification Regarding Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance on April 30, 2002, applicable to workers of International Steel Wool Corp., a Subsidiary of F.H. Bonn Co., Springfield, Ohio. The notice was published in the **Federal Register** on May 17, 2002 (67 FR 35143).

At the request of the company, the Department reviewed the certification for workers of the subject firm. The company reports that worker separations occurred at the Headquarters Office located in Mission, Texas. The workers at the Mission, Texas location provide administrative services supporting the production of annealed steel wool at the Springfield, Ohio facility of the subject firm.

Based on these findings, the Department is amending the certification to include workers of International Steel Wool Corp., Headquarters Office, Mission, Texas.

The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers of International Steel Wool Corp. A subsidiary of F. H. Bonn Co., who were adversely affected by increased imports.

The amended notice applicable to TA-W-41,155 is hereby issued as follows:

All workers of International Steel Wool Corp., Springfield, Ohio (TA-W-41,155), and International Steel Wool Corp., Headquarters Office, Mission, Texas (TA-W-41,155A), who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after March 25, 2001, through April 30, 2004, are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 12 day of August, 2002.

Linda G. Poole,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-41,260]

Laird Technologies, Asheboro, NC; Notice of Negative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration,

By application dated July 26, 2002, a petitioner requested administrative reconsideration of the Department's negative determination regarding eligibility for workers and former workers of the subject firm to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA). The denial notice was signed on July 2,

2002 and published in the **Federal Register** on July 18, 2002 (67 FR 47400).

Pursuant to 29 CFR 90.18(c) reconsideration may be granted under the following circumstances:

(1) if it appears on the basis of facts not previously considered that the determination complained of was erroneous;

(2) if it appears that the determination complained of was based on a mistake in the determination of facts not previously considered; or

(3) in the opinion of the Certifying Officer, a misinterpretation of facts or of the law justified reconsideration of the decision.

The TAA petition, filed on behalf of workers at Laird Technologies, Asheboro, North Carolina engaged in the production of Electromagnetic Interface (EMI) and Radio Frequency Interface (RFI) Shielding, was denied because the "contributed importantly" group eligibility requirement of section 222(3) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, was not met. The "contributed importantly" test is generally demonstrated through a survey of the workers' firm's customers. The Department conducted a survey of the subject company's major customers regarding their purchases of EMI/RFI shielding in 2000 and 2001. The customers reported either no imports or declining imports during the relevant period. The subject firm did not import EMI/RFI shielding during the relevant period. Laird Technologies is transferring production from Asheboro, North Carolina to other affiliated domestic facilities.

The petitioner appears to be indicating the company is building a production plant in China and sometime in the future the Chinese plant will be producing products like or directly competitive with what the subject plant produced. The petitioner believes the shift in production to China meets the eligibility requirements of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended.

A shift in production to a foreign source under TAA is not a relevant factor in meeting the eligibility requirement under section 222(3) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended. Any potential imports of Electromagnetic Interface (EMI) and Radio Frequency Interface (RFI) Shielding into the United States from the Chinese plant must enter the United States during the relevant period of the investigation to meet the eligibility requirement of section 222(3) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended.

Conclusion

After review of the application and investigative findings, I conclude that there has been no error or misinterpretation of the law or of the facts which would justify reconsideration of the Department of Labor's prior decisions. Accordingly, the application is denied.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 12th day of August, 2002.

Edward A. Tomchick,

Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-41,475]

Ruger Equipment, Inc., Urichsville, Ohio; Notice of Affirmative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration

By letter of July 19, 2002, the United Steelworkers of America, Local 2737-10 requested administrative reconsideration of the Department of Labor's Notice of Negative Determination Regarding Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance, applicable to workers of the subject firm. The denial notice was signed on July 8, 2002, and published in the **Federal Register** on July 22, 2002 (67 FR 47861).

The petitioner supplied a list of customers unavailable during the original investigation. The Department of Labor will conduct a survey of these customers to determine if imports contributed importantly to the declines in employment at the subject plant.

Conclusion

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

Signed at Washington, DC, this 12th day of August, 2002.

Edward A. Tomchick,

Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Investigations Regarding Certifications of 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 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, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than August 30, 2002.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments regarding the subject matter of the investigations to the Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than August 30, 2002.

The petitions filed in this case are available for inspection at the Office of the Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room C-5311, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 5th day of August, 2002.

Edward A. Tomchick,

Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.