

**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR****Employment and Training  
Administration**

[TA-W-34,991]

**Sappi Fine Papers North America, Inc.,  
Westbrook, Maine, Including Leased  
Workers of Manpower Technical  
Temporary Services, Portland, ME;  
Amended Certification Regarding  
Eligibility To Apply for Worker  
Adjustment Assistance**

In accordance with Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 USC 2273) the Department of Labor issued a Certification of Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance on December 2, 1999, applicable to workers of Sappi Fine Papers North America, Inc. located in Westbrook, Maine. The notice was published in the **Federal Register** on December 23, 1998 (64 FR 71165).

At the request of the State agency, the Department reviewed the certification for workers of the subject firm. The workers produce coated graphic freesheet and speciality paper. New information provided by the company shows that some workers of Sappi Fine Papers were leased from Manpower Technical Temporary Services, Portland, Maine. The leased workers provided computer support services to the Westbrook, Maine location of Sappi Fine Papers North America, Inc. Worker separations occurred at Manpower Technical Temporary Services as a result of worker separations at Sappi Fine Papers North America, Inc. Accordingly, the Department is amending the workers certification to include the workers of Manpower Technical Temporary Services, Portland, Maine.

The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers of Sappi Fine Papers North America, Inc. adversely affected by imports.

The amended notice applicable to TA-W-34,991 is hereby issued as follows:

All workers of Sappi Fine Papers North America, Inc., Westbrook, Maine and leased workers of Manpower Technical Temporary Services, Portland, Maine that provided computer support services for the production of coated graphic freesheet and speciality paper for Sappi Fine Papers North America, Inc., Westbrook, Maine who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after September 9, 1997 through December 2, 2000 are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 3d day of November, 1999.

**Grant D. Beale,***Program Manager, Office of Trade  
Adjustment Assistance.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR****Employment and Training  
Administration**

[TA-W-36,577]

**Statoil Exploration (US) Inc. Houston,  
TX; Notice of Revised Determination  
on Reopening**

By letter of October 5, 1999, the petitioner presented evidence not previously considered in the Department's determination. Accordingly, the Department reopened the petition investigation applicable to workers of the subject firm.

The initial investigation resulted in a negative determination issued on September 7, 1999, based on the finding that workers of Statoil Exploration (US), Inc., Houston, Texas, were not engaged in exploration or production of crude oil and natural gas for U.S. customers. The denial notice was published in the **Federal Register** on October 14, 1999 (64 FR 55750).

On reopening, an official of Statoil provided additional information regarding revenues, employment and customers of the subject firm. Revenues at the subject firm derived from the exploration for crude oil and natural gas have declined since 1997. The level of employment remained unchanged from 1997 to 1998, but declined in 1999. Other new findings on reopening revealed that although the workers at the subject firm worked offshore in the Gulf of Mexico, the customers of the subject firm were domestic. Many of the subject firm's declining customers engaged in the production of crude oil have been certified eligible for FAA in the relevant time period.

**Conclusion**

After careful review of the additional facts obtained on reopening, I conclude that increased imports of crude oil contributed importantly to the declines in sales or production and to the total or partial separation of workers of Statoil Exploration (US), Inc., Houston, Texas. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, I make the following certification:

All workers of Statoil Exploration (US), Inc., Houston, Texas, who became totally or partially separated from employment on or

after July 7, 1998 through two years from the date of this certification are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed in Washington, DC, this 4th day of November 1999.

**Grant D. Beale,***Program Manager, Office of Trade  
Adjustment Assistance.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR****Employment and Training  
Administration****Investigations Regarding Certifications  
of Eligibility To Apply for NAFTA  
Transitional Adjustment Assistance**

Petitions for transitional adjustment assistance under the North American Free Trade Agreement-Transitional Adjustment Assistance Implementation Act (P.L. 103-182), hereinafter called (NAFTA-TAA), have been filed with State Governors under Section 250(b)(1) of Subchapter D, Chapter 2, Title II, of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, are identified in the Appendix to this Notice. Upon notice from a Governor that a NAFTA-TAA petition has been received, the Director of the Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance (OTAA), Employment and Training Administration (ETA), Department of Labor (DOL), announces the filing of the petition and takes action pursuant to paragraphs (c) and (e) of Section 250 of the Trade Act.

The purpose of the Governor's actions and the Labor Department's investigations are to determine whether the workers separated from employment on or after December 8, 1993 (date of enactment of P.L. 103-182) are eligible to apply for NAFTA-TAA under Subchapter D of the Trade Act because of increased imports from or the shift in production to Mexico or Canada.

The petitioners or any other persons showing a substantial interest in the subject matter of the investigations may request a public hearing with the Director of OTAA at the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) in Washington, D.C. provided such request if filed in writing with the Director of OTAA not later than November 26, 1999.

Also, interested persons are invited to submit written comments regarding the subject matter of the petitions to the Director of OTAA at the address shown below not later than November 26, 1999.

Petitions filed with the Governors are available for inspection at the Office of the Director, OTAA, ETA, DOL, Room

C-4318, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20210.

Signed at Washington, DC this 3rd day of  
November, 1999.

**Grant D. Beale,**  
Program Manager, Office of Trade  
Adjustment Assistance.

## APPENDIX

Subject firm	Location	Date received at Governor's office	Petition No.	Articles produced
North State Garment (Co.) ...	Farmville, NC .....	09/28/1999	NAFTA-3,474	Ladies garments.
Fargo Manufacturing (Wkrs)	Poughkeepsie, NY .....	09/29/1999	NAFTA-3,475	Connectors.
Stone Container—Smurfit (Wkrs).	El Paso, TX .....	09/30/1999	NAFTA-3,476	Boxes.
Wyman Gordon Forgings .....	Houston, TX .....	10/01/1999	NAFTA-3,477	Machinery.
Chromium Corporation (Co.).	Lufkin, TX .....	10/01/1999	NAFTA-3,478	Repair shop.
FCI Electronics (Co.) .....	York, PA .....	09/27/1999	NAFTA-3,479	Cable assemblies for computer.
Unitron Industries (Co.) .....	Huron, MI .....	09/30/1999	NAFTA-3,480	Hearing aid.
UDV North America (IBT) ...	Allen Park, MI .....	10/01/1999	NAFTA-3,481	Distilled spirits.
Huffy Bicycles (Wkrs) .....	Farmington, MO .....	10/01/1999	NAFTA-3,482	Bicycles.
General Electric (Wkrs) .....	Tucson, AZ .....	10/01/1999	NAFTA-3,483	Electric motors.
Carter's—The William Carter (Wkrs).	Baresville, GA .....	09/27/1999	NAFTA-3,484	Infant wear.
Mexport (Wkrs) .....	El Paso, TX .....	10/01/1999	NAFTA-3,485	Pants, shirts and skirts.
Smithkline Beecham Pharmaceuticals (Co.).	Piscataway, NJ .....	10/01/1999	NAFTA-3,486	Penicillin.
Purcell Service (Wkrs) .....	Anchorage, AK .....	10/04/1999	NAFTA-3,487	Oil and gas.
Radionic's (Wkrs) .....	Salinas, CA .....	09/30/1999	NAFTA-3,488	Communicators, keypads & cable assembly.
Brighton Electric Steel Casting (USWA).	Beaver Falls, PA .....	10/04/1999	NAFTA-3,489	Grate bars, piercer points.
Hewlett Packard (Co.) .....	Corvallis, OR .....	10/04/1999	NAFTA-3,490	Repair printers and fax machines.
Crowley Garment (UNITE) ...	Crowley, LA .....	10/04/1999	NAFTA-3,491	Trousers.
Ball Foster Glass Container (Co.).	Los Angeles, CA .....	09/29/1999	NAFTA-3,492	Glass containers.
Foster Industries (Co.) .....	Wagener, SC .....	10/05/1999	NAFTA-3,493	Apparel.
BTR Sealing Systems (Wkrs).	Marville, TN .....	10/04/1999	NAFTA-3,494	Rubber weatherstrips.
Tultex Corporation (Co.) .....	Bastain, VA .....	10/05/1999	NAFTA-3,495	Sweat shirts.
Blue Falcon Forge (USWA)	Berwick, PA .....	10/06/1999	NAFTA-3,496	Forged draftlugs for railroad car.
EIEIO (Wkrs) .....	Fall River, MA .....	08/20/1999	NAFTA-3,497	Children's clothing.
Southeastern Apparel Finishing (Co.).	Johnson City, TN .....	10/08/1999	NAFTA-3,498	Jeans.
Brockway Mould (Co.) .....	Brookport, PA .....	10/08/1999	NAFTA-3,499	Moulds.
OMCO Mould (AFGW) .....	Winchester, IN .....	10/08/1999	NAFTA-3,500	Moulds.
Fabric Resources International (Wkrs).	Mullins, SC .....	10/08/1999	NAFTA-3,501	Synthetic fabric.
Dimensions (Wkrs) .....	Reading, PA .....	10/08/1999	NAFTA-3,502	Stitch models.
Rayovac (Wkrs) .....	Fennimore, WI .....	09/07/1999	NAFTA-3,503	Batteries.
Standard Motor Products (Wkrs).	Bradenton, FL .....	10/27/1999	NAFTA-3,504	Ignition wire sets.
Western States Machine (UAW).	Hamilton, OH .....	10/12/1999	NAFTA-3,505	Centrifuges.
Lucas Varsity Automotive (Wkrs).	Cincinnati, OH .....	10/12/1999	NAFTA-3,506	Drum brake assemblies.
Oxford Automotive (UAW) ...	Argos, IN .....	10/01/1999	NAFTA-3,507	Metal stamps parts.
Ketchikan Pulp (Co.) .....	Ketchikan, AK .....	10/07/1999	NAFTA-3,508	Pulp mill.
Penn Mould Industrial (Co.)	Washington, PA .....	10/08/1999	NAFTA-3,509	Moulds.
G.H. Bass (Wkrs) .....	Manati, PR .....	10/13/1999	NAFTA-3,510	Shoes.
Metlakatla Forest Products (Co.).	Metlakatla, AK .....	10/15/1999	NAFTA-3,511	Log supply.
Robotex (Co.) .....	Lumberton, NC .....	10/12/1999	NAFTA-3,512	Woven polypropelene, textiles.
Accuride (UAW) .....	Henderson, KY .....	10/12/1999	NAFTA-3,513	Tub wheels parts.
United Filters—Perry Equipment (Co.).	Amarillo, TX .....	10/13/1999	NAFTA-3,514	String wound filter elements.
Bayer Clothing Group (UNITE).	Clearfield, PA .....	10/18/1999	NAFTA-3,515	Tailored suits, coats and pants.
Delphax (Wkrs) .....	Canton, MA .....	10/12/1999	NAFTA-3,516	Printers.
Georgia Pacific (Wkrs) .....	Bemidji, MN .....	10/13/1999	NAFTA-3,517	Moldable mat.
Temco Fire Place Products (Wkrs).	Perris, CA .....	10/12/1999	NAFTA-3,518	36" fireplaces.
Piezo Crystal (Wkrs) .....	Carlisle, PA .....	10/14/1999	NAFTA-3,519	Crystals.
Woods Equipment (Co.) .....	Seguin, TX .....	10/13/1999	NAFTA-3,520	Construction tractor.

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Invensys Siebe Automotive (UAW).	Carthage, TN .....	10/14/1999	NAFTA-3,521	Bellows & bellows assemblies.
SMF (Wkrs) .....	Danville, IL .....	10/13/1999	NAFTA-3,552	Oil.
Oxford of Monroe (Co.) .....	Monroe, GA .....	10/19/1999	NAFTA-3,523	Men's slacks.
Cambior Exploration (Wkrs)	Sparks, NV .....	10/20/1999	NAFTA-3,524	Gold mining.
Acme Steel (Wkrs) .....	Riverdale, IL .....	10/20/1999	NAFTA-3,525	Steel strapping.
IMC Plastics (Co.) .....	Tualatin, OR .....	10/20/1999	NAFTA-3,526	Plastics injected molded parts.
Cooper Energy Services (Wkrs).	Grove City, PA .....	10/21/1999	NAFTA-3,527	Pistone.
Townwear Garment (Co.) ....	Blairsville, GA .....	10/21/1999	NAFTA-3,528	Garments.
Cerplex Group (Wkrs) .....	Corvallis, OR .....	10/22/1999	NAFTA-3,529	Repair printers.
Deluxe Corporation (Wkrs) ..	Springfield, MA .....	10/14/1999	NAFTA-3,530	Programming & processing services.
Cone Mills (Co.) .....	Cliffside, NC .....	10/25/1999	NAFTA-3,531	Denim fabric.
Cone Mills (Co.) .....	Henrietta, NC .....	10/25/1999	NAFTA-3,531	Denim fabric.
Cone Mills (Co.) .....	Forest City, NC .....	10/25/1999	NAFTA-3,531	Denim fabric.
Fluid Process Systems (Co.)	El Paso, TX .....	10/25/1999	NAFTA-3,532	Water treatment systems.
Sweetwater Walls Industries (Co.).	Sweetwater, TX .....	10/19/1999	NAFTA-3,533	Work clothing.
Robett Manufacturing (Wkrs)	Riceville, TN .....	10/26/1999	NAFTA-3,534	Men & boys camouflage clothing.
Aalfs Manufacturing (Wkrs) ..	Lemars, TN .....	09/30/1999	NAFTA-3,535	Denim jeans.
Spartan Mills (Wkrs) .....	Spartanburg, SC .....	10/27/1999	NAFTA-3,536	Unfinished cloth.
Glamis Gold (Co.) .....	Valmy, NV .....	10/26/1999	NAFTA-3,537	Gold mining.
U.S. Sack (Wkrs) .....	Grand Junction, CO .....	10/26/1999	NAFTA-3,538	Polypropylene bulk bags.
Stupp Bros. (Co.) .....	Baton Rouge, LA .....	10/28/1999	NAFTA-3,539	Steel line pipe.
Columbiaknit (Wkrs) .....	Portland, OR .....	10/28/1999	NAFTA-3,540	Mens & women's outerwear.
Fag Bearings (Co.) .....	Joplin, MO .....	10/29/1999	NAFTA-3,541	Automotive hub bearings.
Mobius (Wkrs) .....	Eugene, OR .....	11/01/1999	NAFTA-3,542	Store display fixture.
Avery Dennison (Co.) .....	Greenboro, NC .....	11/01/1999	NAFTA-3,543	Clothing tags.

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

**Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration**

[Prohibited Transaction Exemption 99-46; Exemption Application No. D-10514]

**Grant of Individual Exemption; Plumbers and Pipe Fitters National Pension Fund (the Fund), Located in Alexandria, VA**

**AGENCY:** Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, Labor.

**ACTION:** Grant of individual exemption.

**SUMMARY:** This document contains an exemption issued by the Department of Labor (the Department) from certain of the prohibited transaction restrictions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (the Act) and/or the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the Code).

Notice was published in the **Federal Register** of the pendency before the Department of a proposal to grant such exemption. The notice set forth a summary of facts and representations contained in the application for exemption and referred interested

persons to the respective application for a complete statement of the facts and representations. The application has been available for public inspection at the Department in Washington, D.C. The notice also invited interested persons to submit comments on the requested exemption to the Department. In addition the notice stated that any interested person might submit a written request that a public hearing be held (where appropriate). The applicant has represented that it has complied with the requirements of the notification to interested persons.

The notice of proposed exemption was issued and the exemption is being granted solely by the Department because, effective December 31, 1978, section 102 of Reorganization Plan No. 4 of 1978 (43 FR 47713, October 17, 1978) transferred the authority of the Secretary of the Treasury to issue exemptions of the type proposed to the Secretary of Labor.

**Statutory Findings**

In accordance with section 408(a) of the Act and/or section 4975(c)(2) of the Code and the procedures set forth in 29 CFR Part 2570, Subpart B (55 FR 32836, 32847, August 10, 1990) and based upon the entire record, the Department finds that the exemption is:

- (a) Administratively feasible;

- (b) In the interests of the plan and its participants and beneficiaries; and
- (c) Protective of the rights of the participants and beneficiaries of the plan.

**Plumbers and Pipe Fitters National Pension Fund (the Fund), Located in Alexandria, VA**

[Prohibited Transaction Exemption 99-46 Application No. D-10514]

*Exemption*

The restrictions of sections 406(a)(1)(A), 406(a)(1)(B), 406(a)(1)(D), 406(b)(1), and 406(b)(2) of the Act and the sanctions resulting from the application of section 4975 of the Code, by reason of section 4975(c)(1) (A) through (E) of the Code\* shall not apply, effective October 9, 1997, to the transfer to the Fund from the United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipe Fitting Industry of the United States and Canada, AFL-CIO (the Union), a party in interest with respect to the Fund, of the Union's limited partnership interests in Diplomat Properties, Limited Partnership (the Partnership), the sole asset of which is the Diplomat Resort

\* For purposes of this exemption, references to specific provisions of Title I of the Act, unless otherwise specified, refer also to the corresponding provisions of the Code.