

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Employee Benefits Security Administration****149th Meeting of the Advisory Council on Employee Welfare and Pension Benefit Plans****Notice of Meeting**

Pursuant to the authority contained in Section 512 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), 29 U.S.C. 1142, the 149th open meeting of the Advisory Council on Employee Welfare and Pension Benefit Plans will be held on November 3–4, 2009.

The meeting will take place in Room S–4215, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210 on November 3, from 1 p.m. to approximately 5 p.m. On November 4, the meeting will start at 9 a.m. and conclude at approximately 4:30 p.m., with a break for lunch. The morning meeting on November 4 also will be in Room S–4215. The afternoon session will take place in Room S–2508 at the same address. The purpose of the open meeting is for the Advisory Council members to finalize their recommendations to be presented by the Advisory Council to the Secretary. At the November 4 afternoon session, the Council members will receive an update from the Assistant Secretary of Labor for the Employee Benefits Security Administration (EBSA) and present their recommendations.

The Council recommendations will be on the following issues: (1) Promoting Retirement Literacy and Security by Streamlining Disclosures to Participants and Beneficiaries, (2) Stable Value Funds and Retirement Security in the Current Economic Conditions, and (3) Approaches for Retirement Security in the United States. Descriptions of these topics are available on the Advisory Council page of the EBSA Web site at http://www.dol.gov/ebsa/aboutebsa/erisa_advisory_council.html.

Organizations or members of the public wishing to submit a written statement may do so by submitting 30 copies on or before October 27, 2009 to Larry Good, Executive Secretary, ERISA Advisory Council, U.S. Department of Labor, Suite N–5623, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210. Statements also may be submitted as e-mail attachments in text or pdf format transmitted to good.larry@dol.gov. It is requested that statements not be included in the body of the e-mail. Relevant statements received on or before October 27, 2009 will be included in the record of the meeting. Individuals or representatives of

organizations wishing to address the Advisory Council should forward their requests to the Executive Secretary or telephone (202) 693–8668. Oral presentations will be limited to ten minutes, time permitting, but an extended statement may be submitted for the record. Individuals with disabilities who need special accommodations should contact Larry Good by October 27 at the address indicated.

Signed at Washington, DC this 9th day of October, 2009.

Michael L. Davis,

Deputy Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Employment and Training Administration****Request for Certification of Compliance—Rural Industrialization Loan and Grant Program**

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Employment and Training Administration is issuing this notice to announce the receipt of a “Certification of Non-Relocation and Market and Capacity Information Report” (Form 4279–2) for the following:

Applicant/Location: MCA Media Industries, LLC/Graniteville, South Carolina.

Principal Product/Purpose: The loan, guarantee, or grant application is to enable an existing screen printing and point-of-sale (POS) advertising business to open a new branch or facility. The NAICS industry code for this enterprise is: 339950 Sign Manufacturing.

DATES: All interested parties may submit comments in writing no later than October 30, 2009. Copies of adverse comments received will be forwarded to the applicant noted above.

ADDRESSES: Address all comments concerning this notice to Anthony D. Dais, U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room S–4231, Washington, DC 20210; or e-mail Dais.Anthony@dol.gov; or transmit via fax (202) 693–3015 (this is not a toll-free number).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Anthony D. Dais, at telephone number

(202) 693–2784 (this is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 188 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act of 1972, as established under 29 CFR Part 75, authorizes the United States Department of Agriculture to make or guarantee loans or grants to finance industrial and business activities in rural areas. The Secretary of Labor must review the application for financial assistance for the purpose of certifying to the Secretary of Agriculture that the assistance is not calculated, or likely, to result in: (a) A transfer of any employment or business activity from one area to another by the loan applicant’s business operation; or, (b) An increase in the production of goods, materials, services, or facilities in an area where there is not sufficient demand to employ the efficient capacity of existing competitive enterprises unless the financial assistance will not have an adverse impact on existing competitive enterprises in the area. The Employment and Training Administration within the Department of Labor is responsible for the review and certification process. Comments should address the two bases for certification and, if possible, provide data to assist in the analysis of these issues.

Signed: at Washington, DC this 1st day of October, 2009.

Jane Oates,

Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Employment and Training Administration****Request for Certification of Compliance—Rural Industrialization Loan and Grant Program**

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Employment and Training Administration is issuing this notice to announce the receipt of a “Certification of Non-Relocation and Market and Capacity Information Report” (Form 4279–2) for the following:

Applicant/Location: NewWood Corporation/Elma, Washington.

Principal Product/Purpose: The loan, guarantee, or grant application is to enable a new business venture to open a wood/plastic composite sheet

manufacturing facility. The NAICS industry code for this enterprise is: 326130 Laminated Plastics Plate, Sheet (except Packaging), and Shape Manufacturing.

DATES: All interested parties may submit comments in writing no later than October 30, 2009. Copies of adverse comments received will be forwarded to the applicant noted above.

ADDRESSES: Address all comments concerning this notice to Anthony D. Dais, U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room S-4231, Washington, DC 20210; or e-mail Dais.Anthony@dol.gov; or transmit via fax (202)693-3015 (this is not a toll-free number).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Anthony D. Dais, at telephone number (202)693-2784 (this is not a toll-free number).

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Signed: at Washington, DC, this 1st day of October, 2009.

Jane Oates,

Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training.

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NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR LITERACY

Notice Inviting Proposals for Ownership and Operation of America's Literacy Directory

AGENCY: National Institute for Literacy.

ACTION: Notice inviting proposals for ownership and operation of America's Literacy Directory.

SUMMARY: America's Literacy Directory (ALD) provides information about adult literacy, preparation for General Educational Development (GED) tests and other testing, and English language learning programs for individuals in need of those services through an easy-to-use, extensive nationwide database.

As authorized by 20 U.S.C. 9252(c), the National Institute for Literacy (NIFL) developed and created ALD and has been operating it since 2004. NIFL now plans to turn over ownership and operation of ALD to one or more entities outside of the Federal Government that would, with its or their own resources, continue the maintenance and upkeep of ALD, make improvements to it, and continue to make it readily available at no cost to the public. Through this notice, we are inviting proposals from an entity or entities interested in owning and operating ALD in this manner. NIFL believes that the effectiveness of ALD will be enhanced by being owned by a non-Federal entity or entities, which would take responsibility for its continued operation.

ALD is currently supported in part through both an interagency agreement and a contract for data verification and technical support, respectively. To the extent possible, consistent with the terms of those agreements, NIFL plans to provide the entity or entities ultimately selected through the selection process outlined in this notice with non-proprietary information on the design, use, and maintenance of ALD in order to help the selected entity or entities maintain, operate, and enhance ALD. A text file providing the technical data to ALD is available to prospective bidders in "Structured Query Language" (SQL) format. This SQL data would assist the selected entity or entities in building a database containing all ALD tables and relationships of those tables. Prospective bidder(s) may request the text file by contacting NIFL at Daniel.Miller@ed.gov.

NIFL believes that turning over ownership and operation of the Directory to a non-Federal entity or entities will provide long-lasting benefits to the intended audience and to the nation.

DATES: To receive consideration, proposals must be submitted to NIFL no later than 5 p.m. (EST) on November 9, 2009. NIFL's goal is to turn over ownership and operation of ALD on or about December 30, 2009.

Address for Submission of Proposals: Interested entities should submit a proposal for owning and operating ALD, addressing the factors and associated criteria outlined in this notice, by an express carrier or by e-mail to: Daniel J. Miller, Acting Director, National Institute for Literacy, 1775 I Street, NW., 7th Floor, Washington, DC 20006-2050, or at Daniel.Miller@ed.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Daniel Miller, (202) 245-7731, Daniel.Miller@ed.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

America's Literacy Directory (ALD) is an effective, national online site for the referral of adults to local literacy programs. The site is currently housed on the NIFL Web site at <http://www.nifl.gov> or at <http://literacydirectory.org>. From the site, adults and young adults can find assistance with reading or writing, study for the GED or other high school equivalency program(s), find an official GED test center, learn English, and get help with mathematics. Adults can enter their zip code or city and State and find programs within a selected geographic range. Through the site, and a toll-free telephone number, providers of adult literacy services may add program information to the ALD database.

NIFL intends, through an appropriate agreement or agreements signed by NIFL and the selected entity or entities, to set forth the rights and responsibilities of each party, and to transfer ownership and operation of ALD to a non-Federal entity or entities, which would support ALD with the entity's or entities' own resources. The agreement will include, among other things, a privacy policy that protects the privacy of the users of ALD, and limits the use of data about the users by the entity or entities selected.

Responsibilities of the Selected Entity or Entities

NIFL anticipates that the duties of the ALD owner will include: Maintaining and enhancing the ALD database of approximately 5,000 literacy programs as appropriate; providing technical assistance via email, phone, and online training sessions to States to assist them in integrating State and local program data into ALD (5-10 questions or