

Employment Policy on the application wrapper or other documentary evidence or receipt maintained by that office.

Applications sent by other delivery services, such as Federal Express, UPS, e-mail, etc., will also be accepted; however, the applicant bears the responsibility of timely submission.

Confirmation of receipt of your application can be made by contacting Margaret Roffee of the Office of Disability Employment Policy, nfinomination@dol.gov, telephone (202) 693-7880, (866) ODEP-DOL, TTY (202) 693-7881, prior to the closing deadline.

7. The Administrative Review Process:

A. The ODEP Steering Committee will perform preliminary administrative review to determine the sufficiency of all submitted application packages.

B. An Executive Evaluation Committee made up of representatives appointed by the Assistant Secretary of Labor, Office of Disability Employment Policy, from Department of Labor employees will perform secondary review.

C. The Secretary of Labor will conduct the final review and selections.

8. Other Factors to be Considered During the Administrative Review Process:

A. If a nominee merges with another company during the evaluation process, only that information relative to the nominated company will be evaluated, and the award, if any, will be limited to the nominated company.

B. Prior receipt of this award will not preclude a nominee from being considered for the New Freedom Initiative Award in subsequent years. Programs and activities serving as the basis of a prior award, however, may not be considered as the basis for a subsequent award application.

9. Procedures Following Selection:

A. Awardees will be notified of their selection via the contact person identified in the application package at least six weeks prior to the awards ceremony. Non-selected nominees will also be notified within 45 days of the selection of the awardees.

B. As a precondition to acceptance of the award, the nominee agrees to:

1. Submit to ODEP for review a two-minute video of the program(s) or activity(ies) for which it is being recognized within 30 days of notification of award selection;

2. Participate in any New Freedom Initiative workshops hosted by ODEP in conjunction with or within 12 months following the awards ceremony.

C. The awardee may also display an exhibit or showcase of the program(s)/ activity(ies) for which it is being recognized at the awards ceremony,

with contents of the display submitted to ODEP for review within 30 days of notification of award selection.

D. Materials developed by the awardees in conjunction with section 11(B) and (C) will be subject to legal review at the Department of Labor to ensure compliance with applicable ethics standards.

10. *Location:* The awards ceremony will generally be held during the month of October at a location to be determined by the Secretary of Labor.

Paperwork Reduction Act Notice (Pub. L. 104-13): Persons are not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. This collection of information is approved under OMB Number 1230-0002 (Expiration Date: December 31, 2008). The obligation to respond to this information collection is voluntary; however, only nominations that follow the nomination procedures outlined in this notice will receive consideration. The average time to respond to this information of collection is estimated to be 10 hours per response; including the time for reviewing instructions, researching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Submit comments regarding this estimate; including suggestions for reducing response time to the U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Disability Employment Policy, Room S-1303, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210. Please reference OMB Number 1230-0002.

We are very interested in your thoughts and suggestions about your experience in preparing and filing this nomination packet for the Secretary of Labor's New Freedom Initiative Award. Your comments will be very useful to the Office of Disability Employment Policy in making improvements in our solicitation for nominations for this award in subsequent years. All comments are strictly voluntary and strictly private. We would appreciate your taking a few minutes to tell us—for example, whether you thought the instructions were sufficiently clear; what you liked or disliked; what worked or didn't work; whether it satisfied your need for information or if it didn't, or anything else that you think is important for us to know. Your comments will be most helpful if you can be very specific in relating your experience.

We value your comments, and would really like to hear from you.

Please send any comments you have to Margaret Roffee at nfinomination@dol.gov or via mail to the Office of Disability Employment Policy, Room S-1303, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 24th day of February, 2006.

Roy Grizzard,

Assistant Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-57,794]

Cognis Corporation, Cincinnati, OH; Notice of Affirmative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration

By letter dated October 28, 2005, the United Steelworkers of America, Local 14340, 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 determination was signed on September 29, 2005. The Department's Notice of negative determination was published in the **Federal Register** on October 31, 2005 (70 FR 62345).

The negative determination was based on the findings that there was no shift of specialty chemical production abroad by the subject firm and no increased imports of specialty chemicals during the relevant period. Workers produce specialty chemicals, including fatty acids, glycerin, and ozone acids, and are not separately identifiable by product line.

The Department carefully reviewed the Union's request for reconsideration and, based on new information provided by the Union representative, has determined that the Department will conduct further investigation.

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 29th day of November 2005.

Linda G. Poole,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-57,896]

Cranford Woodcarving, Inc. Including Workers Whose Wages Were Paid by Tri-State Employment Services, Inc., a Subsidiary of The McCrorie Group Plants 1, 4, and 7, Including On-Site Leased Workers of Express Personnel, Hickory, NC; Amended Certification Regarding Eligibility To Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance and Alternative Trade Adjustment Assistance

In accordance with section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2273), and section 246 of the Trade Act of 1974 (26 U.S.C. 2813), as amended, the Department of Labor issued a Certification of Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance and Alternative Trade Adjustment Assistance on November 22, 2005, applicable to workers of Cranford Woodcarving, Inc., a subsidiary of The McCrorie Group, Plants 1, 4, and 7, including on-site leased workers of Express Personnel, Hickory, NC. The notice was published in the **Federal Register** on December 15, 2005 (70 FR 74367).

At the request of a company official, the Department reviewed the certification for workers of the subject firm. The workers are engaged in the production of wood components (e.g., carvings and turnings); they are not separately identifiable by articles produced.

Information provided by the company shows that Tri-State Employment Service, Inc., was contracted by Cranford Woodcarving, Inc., to provide payroll function and benefit services to workers on-site at the Hickory, NC location of Cranford Woodcarving, Inc.

Information also shows that all workers separated from employment at the subject firm had their wages reported under a separate unemployment insurance (UI) tax account for Tri-State Employment Service, Inc.

Based on these findings, the Department is amending this certification to include workers whose

wages were reported by Tri-State Employment Service, Inc., at Cranford Woodcarving, Inc., a subsidiary of The McCrorie Group, Plants 1, 4, and 7, Hickory, NC.

The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers of Cranford Woodcarving, Inc., were adversely affected by increased customer imports.

The amended notice applicable to TA-W-57,896 is hereby issued as follows:

All workers of Cranford Woodcarving, Inc. including workers whose wages were reported by Tri-State Employment Service, Inc., a subsidiary of the McCrorie Group, Plants 1, 4, and 7, including on-site leased workers of Express Personnel, Hickory, North Carolina, who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after September 2, 2004, through November 22, 2007, are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974 and are also eligible to apply for alternative trade adjustment assistance under Section 246 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 17th day of February 2006.

Elliott S. Kushner,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-55,607; TA-W-55,607a; and TA-W-55,607b]

Creo Americas, Inc., U.S. Headquarters, a Subsidiary of Creo, Inc., Billerica, MA, Including Employees of Creo Americas, Inc. Located in New York, NY, and Highland Lakes, NJ; Amended Notice of Revised Determination on Remand

In accordance with Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2273) the Department of Labor issued a Revised Determination on Remand on April 5, 2005, applicable to workers of Creo Americas, Inc., U.S. Headquarters, a subsidiary of Creo, Inc., Billerica, Massachusetts. The notice was published in the **Federal Register** on April 25, 2005 (70 FR 21247).

At the request of the State agency, the Department reviewed the certification for workers of the subject firm. New information shows that a worker separation occurred involving an employee of the Billerica, Massachusetts facility of Creo Americas, Inc., U.S. Headquarters, a subsidiary of Creo, Inc., located in Highland Lakes, New Jersey.

Mr. Jeffrey Blank provided customer service support for the production of professional imaging and software production at the West Virginia and Washington states facilities of the subject firm.

Based on these findings, the Department is amending this certification to include an employee of the Billerica, Massachusetts facility of Creo Americas, Inc., U.S. Headquarters, a subsidiary of Creo, Inc. located in Highland Lakes, New Jersey. The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers of Creo Americas, Inc., U.S. Headquarters, a subsidiary of Creo, Inc., Billerica, Massachusetts Atlas Textile Company, Inc., Commerce, California who were adversely affected by a shift in production to Canada.

The amended notice applicable to TA-W-55,607 is hereby issued as follows:

All workers of Creo Americas, Inc., U.S. Headquarters, a subsidiary of Creo, Inc., Billerica, Massachusetts (TA-W-55,607), including employees of Creo Americas, Inc., U.S. Headquarters, a subsidiary of Creo, Inc., Billerica, Massachusetts, located in New York, New York (TA-W-55,607A) and located in Highland Lakes, New Jersey (TA-W-55,607B), who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after September 7, 2003, through April 5, 2007, are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed at Washington, DC this 14th day of February 2006.

Elliott S. Kushner,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-53,648]

International Business Machines Corporation Tulsa, OK; Notice of Negative Determination on Remand

The United States Court of International Trade (USCIT) remanded to the Department of Labor (Department or DOL) for further investigation *Former Employees of International Business Machines Corporation v. Elaine Chao, U.S. Secretary of Labor*, No. 04-00079. In accordance with Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (19 U.S.C. 2273), the Department of Labor herein presents the results of the remand investigation regarding certification of eligibility to apply for worker adjustment assistance.