

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 Program Manager 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 Program Manager, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than August 2, 1996.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments regarding the

subject matter of the investigations to the Program Manager, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than August 2, 1996.

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

Signed at Washington, DC this 1st day of July, 1996.

Curtis K. Kooser,

Acting Program Manager, Policy & Reemployment Services, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

APPENDIX

[Petitions Instituted On 07/01/96]

TA-W	Subject firm (petitioners)	Location	Date of petition	Product(s)
32,486	Ambrose Uniform Div (Wkrs)	Ambrose, GA	05/15/96	Men's, Ladies' Lab Coats and Shirts.
32,487	Savannah Manufacturing (Comp)	Savannah, TN	06/07/96	Sportswear.
32,488	Big J Apparel (Wkrs)	Waco, TX	06/10/96	Men's, Ladies' and Boy's Jeans.
32,489	Aquila, Inc (Wkrs)	Superior, WI	06/08/96	Knitwear.
32,490	Tempered Spring, Inc (Wkrs)	Jackson, MI	06/11/96	Engine Valve Springs.
32,491	DeLong Sportswear (Wkrs)	Lynchburg, TN	06/13/96	Wool Jackets.
32,492	American Tourister (Comp)	Warren, RI	06/11/96	Hard Side Luggage.
32,493	American Tourister (Comp)	Jacksonville, FL	06/11/96	Hard Side Luggage.
32,494	General Belt (Wkrs)	New York, NY	06/11/96	Leather Belts.
32,495	Eaton Corp, Golf Grip Div (Comp)	Laurinburg, NC	06/13/96	Golf Grips.
32,496	Custom Wood Products (Wkrs)	St. Joseph, MO	06/10/96	Wood Sash Windows.
32,497	Lakedale Manufacturing (Comp)	Fayetteville, NC	06/18/96	Children's Swimwear and Outerwear.
32,498	Lucent Technologies (CWA)	Lee's Summit, MO	06/19/96	Electronic Connectors.
32,499	Alden Electronics (Comp)	Westboro, MA	06/07/96	Radio Beacons.
32,500	Monsanto Chemical Co (ICWU)	St. Louis, MO	06/13/96	Chemicals.
32,501	C.F. Hathaway Co (UNITE)	Waterville, ME	06/18/96	Men's Shirts.
32,502	V.R. Fashions, Inc (Wkrs)	Waco, TX	06/12/96	Men's Athletic Wear.
32,503	Mobil Admin. Services Co (Wkrs)	Dallas, TX	06/05/96	Oil, Gasoline, Lubricants.
32,504	H.S. Novelty (Comp)	Fultonville, NY	06/17/96	Exotic Leathers.
32,505	St. Marys Carbon Co. (IUE)	St. Marys, PA	06/19/96	Electrical and Mechanical Components.
32,506	Jenn Air-Magic Chef (Wkrs)	Indianapolis, IN	06/13/96	Cooking Ranges and Ovens.
32,507	Drive N Surf, Inc (Comp)	Torrance, CA	06/19/96	Neoprene Wetsuits.
32,508	Truck-Lite Co., Inc (Wkrs)	Falconer, NY	05/31/96	Automotive Safety Lights.

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[TA-W-32,156 and TA-W-32,156A]

Lucia, Incorporated, Winston-Salem and Elkin, North Carolina; 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 Certification of Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance on April 29, 1996, applicable to all workers of Lucia, Incorporated, Winston-Salem, North Carolina. The notice was

published in the Federal Register on May 17, 1996 (61 FR 24960).

At the request of the company, the Department reviewed the certification for workers of the subject firm. New information provided by the company shows that worker separations have occurred at the subject firms' Elkin, North Carolina location. The workers are engaged in the production of ladies' coordinated sportswear.

The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers of the subject firm who were adversely affected by increased imports of ladies' coordinated sportswear. Accordingly, the Department is amending the certification to cover the workers of Lucia, Incorporated, Elkin, North Carolina.

The amended notice applicable to TA-W-32,156 is hereby issued as follows:

All workers of Lucia, Incorporated, Winston-Salem, North Carolina (TA-W-32,156), and Lucia, Incorporated, Elkin, North Carolina (TA-W-32,156A) who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after March 21, 1995 are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed at Washington, DC this 11th day of July 1996.

Curtis K. Kooser,

Acting Program Manager, Policy and Reemployment Services, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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Maxus Energy Corp. et.al.; 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 Notice of Certification Regarding Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance on August 8, 1995, applicable to workers of Maxus Energy Corporation located in Dallas, Texas. The notice was published in the Federal Register on August 24, 1995 (60 FR 44079). The certification was amended October 24, 1995, and again on February 13, 1996, to include workers of the subject firm whose wages were being reported to the Maxus Corporate and the Maxus International unemployment insurance (UI) tax accounts. The notices were published in the Federal Register on November 7, 1995 (60 FR 56172), and February 28, 1996 (61 FR 7540), respectively.

At the request of the State agency, the Department reviewed the certification for workers of the subject firm. New information provided by the State shows that some of the workers of the subject firm had there UI taxes reported to a separate UI tax account, Midgard Energy Company. The Company reports that Maxus Energy Corporation has changed its name to Midgard Energy Company. Additionally, the State reports that Riverside Farms, Hamilton, Texas, TA-W-31, 280, is the dba name for Leon Properties, Diamond S. Ranch. Accordingly, the Department is again amending the certification to reflect these matters.

The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers of Maxus who were affected by increased imports of crude oil and natural gas.

The amended notice applicable to TA-W-31, 268 through TA-W-31, 282, is hereby issued as follows:

All workers of Maxus Energy Corporation, a/k/a/ Maxus Corporate, a/k/a/ Maxus International, a/k/a/ Midgard Energy Company, Dallas, Texas (TA-W-31, 268), Kearny, New Jersey (TA-W-31, 269), and all related locations of the Maxus Exploration Company, Amarillo, Texas (TA-W-31, 270), Canadian, Texas (TA-W-31, 271), Dumas, Texas (TA-W-31, 272), Jeanerette, Louisiana (TA-W-31, 273), Pampa, Texas (TA-W-31, 274), Perryton, Texas (TA-W-31, 275), Leedey, Oklahoma (TA-W-31, 276), Spearman, Texas (TA-W-31, 277), Stinnett, Texas (TA-W-31, 278); Maxus Aviation Company, Dallas, Texas (TA-W-31, 279); Riverside Farms, dba Leon Properties, Diamond S. Ranch, Dallas, Texas (TA-W-31, 280); Riverside Lodge, Hamilton, Texas (TA-W-31, 281); and Sunray Gas Plant, Dumas, Texas (TA-W-31, 282) who become totally or partially separated from employment on or

after June 30, 1994, are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed at Washington, D.C. this 5th day of July 1986.

Curtis K. Kooser,

Acting Program Manager, Policy and Reemployment Services, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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[TA-W-30,896 and TA-W-30,896D]

Phillips Petroleum Company, Exploration and Production Group, d.b.a. Exploration Division and North American Production Division (Including General Counsel), Bartlesville, Oklahoma and GPM Gas Services Company, Houston, Texas, and All Other Locations in Texas; 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 Certification of Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance on May 3, 1995, applicable to all workers of Phillips Petroleum Company, Exploration and Production Group, dba Exploration Division and North American Production Division, Bartlesville, Oklahoma, all other Oklahoma locations, and other locations in various States. The notice was published in the Federal Register on May 17, 1995 (60 FR 26459). The worker certification was amended May 23, 1996 to include the General Counsel worker group. The notice was published in the Federal Register on June 6, 1996 (61 FR 28901).

At the request of petitioners and a company official, the Department reviewed the certification for workers of the subject firm. The GPM Gas Services Company located in Houston, Texas was not explicitly cited in the certification. However, new findings show that GPM is a separate division of Phillips Petroleum Company. Employees of GPM process natural gas and extract natural gas liquids.

The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers of Phillips Petroleum adversely affected by imports of crude oil and natural gas. Accordingly, the Department is amending the worker certification to specifically provide coverage to GPM Gas Service Company located in Houston and other locations within the State of Texas.

The amended notice applicable to TA-W-30,896 is hereby issued as follows:

All workers of Phillips Petroleum Company, Exploration and Production Group, dba Exploration Division and North American Production Division, Including General Counsel, Bartlesville, Oklahoma (TA-W-30,896), and GPM Gas Services Company, Houston, Texas and all other locations in Texas (TA-W-30,896D), who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after March 23, 1994, are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed at Washington, DC this 3rd day of July 1996.

Curtis K. Kooser,

Acting Program Manager, Policy and Reemployment Services, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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[TA-W-32,253]

Pioneer Manufacturing, Incorporated, Salisbury, NC; Notice of Revised Determination of Reconsideration

On May 14, 1996, the Department issued a Negative Determination Regarding Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance, applicable to all workers of Pioneer Manufacturing, Incorporated located in Salisbury, North Carolina. The notice was published in the Federal Register on June 6, 1996 (FR 61 28899).

By letter of May 30, 1996, the company official requested administrative reconsideration of the Department's findings.

The company presented new evidence that was not considered in the original determination. The company official showed that one of their major customers, beginning June 1996, is transferring production of boy's suits to Mexico, which will be imported back to the United States.

Other findings on reconsideration reveal that the quantity of aggregate U.S. imports of men's and boys' suits increased dramatically from 1994 to 1995.

Conclusion

After careful review of the additional facts obtained on reconsideration, I concluded that increased imports of articles like or directly competitive with boys' suits contributed importantly to the declines in sales or production and to the total or partial separation of workers of Pioneer Manufacturing, Incorporated, in Salisbury, North Carolina. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, I make the following certification: