

year without the necessity of a new agreement. The most recent one-year extension for this program will expire on September 9, 1997. Therefore, the Department's Data Integrity Board has approved a new agreement to permit the continuation of the above-named computer matching program for another 18-month period from the effective date (described below).

Matching activities under the new agreement will be effective 30 days after publication of this computer matching notice in the **Federal Register**, or 40 days after a report concerning the computer matching program has been transmitted to the Office of Management and Budget, and transmitted to Congress along with a copy of the agreements, whichever is later. The agreement (and matching activities) will continue for a period of 18 months from the effective date—unless, within 3 months prior to the expiration of the agreement, the Data Integrity Board approves a one-year extension pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(o)(2)(D).

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552a(o)(2)(A) and (r), the required report is being provided to the Office of Management and Budget, and to the Congress together with a copy of the agreement.

Inquiries may be addressed to Patricia E. Neely, Program Analyst, Information Resources Management, Justice Management Division, Information Management and Security Staff, Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: August 7, 1997.

**Stephen R. Colgate,**  
Assistant Attorney General for  
Administration.

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-33,548 and TA-W-33,548A]

#### C.O.L.A., Jersey City, New Jersey and New York, New York; 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 June 6, 1997, applicable to all workers of C.O.L.A. located in Jersey City, New Jersey. The notice was published in the Federal Register on June 27, 1997 (62 FR 34711).

At the request of the company, the Department reviewed the certification for workers of the subject firm. New information received by the company shows that worker separations occurred at the New York, New York location of C.O.L.A. when the entire company closed in May, 1997. The New York, New York location was a showroom for piece good purchasing, sales and styling for the Jersey City, New Jersey location.

The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers of C.O.L.A. who were adversely affected by increased imports of ladies' skirts, pants and shorts. Accordingly, the Department is amended the certification to cover the workers of C.O.L.A., New York, New York.

The amended notice applicable to TA-W-33,548 is hereby issued as follows:

All workers of C.O.L.A., Jersey City, New Jersey (TA-W-33,548), and New York, New York (TA-W-33,548A) who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after April 15, 1996 are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed at Washington D.C. this 30th day of July 1997.

**Grant D. Beale,**

Acting Director, Office of Trade Adjustment.

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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 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 25, 1997.

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 25, 1997.

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, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210.

Signed at Washington, D.C. this 28th day of July, 1997.

**Grant D. Beale,**

Acting Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

## APPENDIX

[Petitions instituted on 7/28/97]

| TA-W   | Subject firm (petitioners) | Location         | Date of petition | Product(s)                            |
|--------|----------------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 33,679 | Devil Dog (Wrks)           | Newton Grove, NC | 07/18/97         | Boys' & Girls' Jeans, Shorts, Slacks. |
| 33,680 | Tubafor Mill (Wrks)        | Amanda Park, WA  | 07/15/97         | Cedar and Hemlock Fencing.            |
| 33,681 | Elgin e2, Inc. (Wrks)      | Erie, PA         | 07/14/97         | Power Supplies.                       |
| 33,682 | Allen Bradley (Wrks)       | Rhineland, WI    | 07/15/97         | Industrial Controls.                  |

APPENDIX—Continued  
[Petitions instituted on 7/28/97]

| TA-W         | Subject firm (petitioners)            | Location             | Date of petition | Product(s)                      |
|--------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|
| 33,683 ..... | Lucas Varity Kelsey-Hayes (Co.) ..... | Brighton, MI .....   | 07/15/97         | Anti Brake System Sensors.      |
| 33,684 ..... | Memorex Telex (Wrks) .....            | Raleigh, NC .....    | 07/14/97         | Computer Products.              |
| 33,685 ..... | Connie Casuals Limited (Co.) .....    | Bangor, PA .....     | 07/03/97         | Ladies' Blouses and Smocks.     |
| 33,686 ..... | Basler Electric (Co.) .....           | Pharr, TX .....      | 07/14/97         | High Frequency Transformers.    |
| 33,687 ..... | Bend Manufacturing Co (Co.) .....     | Bend, OR .....       | 07/15/97         | Fingerjoint Blocks.             |
| 33,688 ..... | Maxus Energy (Co.) .....              | Dallas, TX .....     | 07/15/97         | Crude Oil and Natural Gas.      |
| 33,689 ..... | Copper Range (USWA) .....             | White Pine, MI ..... | 07/16/97         | Anode and Cathode Copper.       |
| 33,690 ..... | Bemis Company (Wrks) .....            | Pepperell, MA .....  | 07/11/97         | Bags and Paper Industrial Bags. |

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-33,216]

#### Gruen Marketing Corporation, Exeter, Pennsylvania; Notice of Negative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration

By application dated March 18, 1997, one of the petitioners requested administrative reconsideration of the Department's negative determination regarding worker eligibility to apply for trade adjustment assistance. The denial notice applicable to workers of the subject firm located in Exeter, Pennsylvania, was signed on February 26, 1997 and published in the Federal Register on March 21, 1997 (62 CFR 13709).

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

Findings of the initial investigation showed that workers of Gruen Marketing Corporation, Exeter, Pennsylvania were engaged in employment related to the merchandising of imported watches. The workers at the Exeter facility provided warehousing, packaging and distribution services. The Department's denial of TAA for workers of the subject firm was based on the fact that the workers provided a service and did not

produce an article within the meaning of the group eligibility requirements of Section 222 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended.

The petitioner claims that since the workers installed batteries, performed watch repair, packaged and bar coded the product, the work performed should be considered producing a product.

The company official reports that the Exeter facility was a packaging and shipping facility. Battery installation constituted only a minuscule part of the Exeter plant's work. With respect to watch repair, there was a department at the subject plant that did warranty work, including battery replacement. It also handled stock repairs, which involved refurbishing watches.

Packaging and refurbishing of foreign production does not constitute a basis for a worker group certification under 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 I justify reconsideration of the Department of Labor's prior decision. Accordingly, the application is denied.

Signed at Washington, D.C. this 30th day of July 1997.

**Grant D. Beale,**

*Acting Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-33,050; TA-W-33,050F; TA-W-33,050G]

#### Ithaca Industries, Incorporated, Thomasville, Georgia, Meigs, Georgia, and Women's Division Management Center, Cairo, Georgia; 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 February 14, 1997, applicable to all workers of Ithaca Industries, Inc., Thomasville, Georgia. The notice was published in the **Federal Register** on April 29, 1997 (62 23273).

At the request of a company official, the Department reviewed the certification for workers of the subject firm. New information shows that worker separations will occur at the subject firms' Meigs and Cairo, Georgia locations when they close in August and October 1997, respectively. Workers at the Meigs, Georgia location are engaged in the production of women's and men's undergarments. Workers at the Women's Division Management Center, Cairo, Georgia provide administrative and support function services to the production facilities of Ithaca Industries, Incorporated. Based on these new findings, the Department is amending the certification to cover workers at the Meigs and Cairo, Georgia locations.

The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers of Ithaca Industries, Inc. adversely affected by increased imports.

The amended notice applicable to TA-W-33,050 is hereby issued as follows: