

APPENDIX—Continued

Subject firm	Location	Date received at Governor's office	Petition No.	Articles produced
Rockwell Automation (IUE)	Ashtabula, OH	10/21/97	NAFTA-1,977	AC electric motors.
Bonita Packing (Wkrs)	Bonita Spring, FL	10/21/97	NAFTA-1,978	Tomatoes.
Kysor Michigan Fleet—Scott (UAW)	Scottsburg, IN	10/21/97	NAFTA-1,979	Auxiliary fuel tanks.
Woodgrain Millwork (Wkrs)	Lakeview, OR	10/20/97	NAFTA-1,980	Moulding.
Carolyn of Virginia (Co.)	Bristol, VA	10/20/97	NAFTA-1,981	Women's clothing.
Ellen B. Sport (Co.)	Whitehall, I:	10/17/97	NAFTA-1,982	Nightwear and dresses.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[NAFTA—01747]

John F. Spooner Farms Belle Glade, Florida; Notice of Termination of Investigation

Pursuant to Title V of the North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act (Pub. L. 103-182) concerning transitional adjustment assistance, hereinafter called (NAFTA-TAA), and in accordance with Section 250(a), Subchapter D, Chapter 2, Title II, of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (19 USC 2273), an investigation was initiated on May 27, 1997 in response to a petition filed on behalf of workers at John F. Spooner Farms, located in Belle Glade, Florida (NAFTA-01747).

The Florida Department of Labor and Employment Security has been unable to locate the company official at the subject firm. Consequently, the Department of Labor cannot conduct an investigation to render a determination as to whether the workers are eligible for adjustment assistance benefits under the Trade Act of 1974.

Therefore, further investigation in this matter would serve no purpose, and the investigation has been terminated.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 19th day of October 1997.

Grant D. Beale,*Acting Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.*

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[NAFTA-01092]

Lucent Technologies, Incorporated, Berg Electronics, Inc., Lee's Summit, Missouri; Amended Certification Regarding Eligibility To Apply for NAFTA-Transitional Adjustment Assistance

In accordance with Section 250(a), Subchapter D, Chapter 2, Title II, of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (19 U.S.C. 2273), the Department of Labor issued a Certification of Eligibility to Apply for NAFTA Transitional Adjustment Assistance on August 9, 1996, applicable to all workers of Lucent Technologies, Incorporated located in Lee's Summit, Missouri. The notice was published in the **Federal Register** on March 12, 1996 (61 FR 11474).

At the request of petitioners, the Department reviewed the certification for workers of the subject firm. The petitioners, are employees of Berg Electronics, Inc., producing paddle board connectors and cable assemblies at Lee's Summit. The workers at the subject plant are not separately identifiable by product line. Review of the certification shows that the name of the parent company, Berg Electronics, Inc., was inadvertently excluded from the certification. Based on this information, the Department is amending the worker certification to include workers of Berg Electronics, Inc., Lee's Summit, Missouri.

The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers of the subject firm who were adversely affected by the shift in production to Mexico.

The amended notice applicable to NAFTA-01092 is hereby issued as follows:

All workers of Lucent Technologies, Incorporated and Berg Electronics, Inc., Lee's Summit, Missouri, who became totally or partially separated from employment on or

after June 19, 1995 through August 9, 1998, are eligible to apply for NAFTA-TAA under Section 250 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed in Washington, DC, this 8th day of October 1997.

Grant D. Beale,*Acting Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.*

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Mine Safety and Health Administration

Petitions for Modification

The following parties have filed petitions to modify the application of mandatory safety standards under section 101(c) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977.

1. McElroy Coal Company

[Docket No. M-97-112-C]

McElroy Coal Company, Consol Plaza, 1800 Washington Road, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15241-1421 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.312(d) (main mine fan examinations and records) to its McElroy Mine (I.D. No. 46-01437) located in Marshall County, West Virginia. The petitioner requests a variance to permit the testing of the function of an automatic closing door without stopping the fan. The petitioner proposes to test the operation of the fan closing door at least every 31 days, by rotating the test frame outward from its normal resting position until it contacts the flow reversal prevention door, by rotating the test frame in order to test the function of the bearings supporting the flow reversal prevention door, and to have the persons conducting the test visually observe the movement of the test frame and the contact between the test frame and the flow reversal prevention door, and to visually observe the general maintenance of the approved design. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same

measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

2. Freeman United Coal Mining Company

[Docket No. M-97-113-C]

Freeman United Coal Mining Company, 1999 Wabash Avenue, Suite 200B, Springfield, Illinois 62704-5364 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.332 (working sections and working places) to its Crown II Mine (I.D. No. 11-02236) located in Macoupin County, Illinois. The petitioner requests a variance to allow one continuous miner on a super section to cleanup the previously mined working face while the other continuous miner starts to cut and load coal from another working face on the same working section, on the same split of air. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

3. Roberts Bros. Coal Co., Inc.

[Docket No. M-97-114-C]

Roberts Bros. Coal Co., Inc., P.O. Box 397, Mortons Gap, Kentucky 42440 filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.503 (preshift examination) to its Cardinal #2 Underground Mine (I.D. No. 15-17216) located in Hopkins County, Kentucky. The petitioner proposes to use a spring-loaded device with specific fastening characteristics instead of a padlock to secure plugs and electrical type connectors to batteries and to the permissible mobile powered equipment, to prevent accidental separation of the battery plugs from their receptacles during normal operation of the battery equipment. The petitioner asserts that in the event of a battery fire, the spring-loaded device can be disconnected much faster and safer than a padlock; and that application of the mandatory standard would result in a diminution of safety to the miners. In addition, the petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

4. BJM Coal Company

[Docket No. M-97-115-C and M-97-116-C]

BJM Coal Company, 158 Turnpike Road, Summersville, West Virginia 26651 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.503 (permissible electric face equipment; maintenance) to its Camp Creek Deep Mine (I.D. No. 46-08288), and its No. 9B Mine (I.D. No. 46-08284) both located in Webster County, West Virginia. The petitioner requests a variance to allow

the use of a spring-loaded locking device instead of padlocks to secure battery plugs to machine mounted receptacles which would prevent the threaded lock ring on a plug from turning and coming loose unintentionally. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

5. Cobre Mining Company

[Docket No. M-97-06-M]

Cobre Mining Company, P.O. Box 424, Hanover, New Mexico 88041 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 57.11055 (inclined escapeways) to its Continental Underground Complex (I.D. No. 29-00233) located in Grant County, New Mexico. The petitioner proposes to modify a distance of 326 feet in the #2 Shaft between the 1000 foot level and the 1300 foot level to provide a secondary escapeway. An interim level at the 1200 foot level of the #2 Shaft would break the portion of the escapeway into 200 feet and 126 feet portions, which would be well under the 300 foot limit. The petitioner requests a variance to allow 326 feet of vertical extent versus 300 feet, or a decision that the 1200 foot level of the #2 Shaft portions the 326 feet into smaller, legal portions. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

6. Stillwater Mining Company

[Docket No. M-97-07-M]

Stillwater Mining Company, HC 54, Box 365, Nye, Montana 59061 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 57.14107(a) (moving machine parts) to its Stillwater Mine (I.D. No. 24-01490) located in Stillwater County, Montana. The petitioner proposes to fence around the magnetic belt located on the end of the feed conveyor of the 3100 level crusher station to prevent persons from coming into direct contact with the belt pulleys or the flying tramp iron ejected from the conveyor; to post signs for use by "Authorized Personnel Only", and only such persons would be allowed to enter the area when the belt is locked out. The petitioner states that it proposed alternative method would not cause a diminution of the safety to the operators. In addition, petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

7. Morton International, Inc.

[Docket No. M-97-08-M]

Morton International, Inc., P.O. Box 1496, New Iberia, Louisiana 70562-1496 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 57.11050 (escapeways and refuges) to its Weeks Island Mine (I.D. No. 16-00970) located in Iberia County, Louisiana. The petitioner proposes to use a man cage where personnel are transported through the service shaft during a mine evacuation and through the production shaft on inserts placed in the production skips during secondary evacuation. The petitioner proposes to extend the concrete liner within the service shaft and the concrete liner within the production shaft upon completion of the service shaft to provide additional safety; to stop all work and evacuate the mine if either escapeway becomes disabled for more than one hour during shaft construction and resume work when both escapeways become available; to install an underground refuge chamber in the main intake airway at the 1200 Level shaft station for additional evacuation protection. The petitioner states that the refuge chamber would be large enough to accommodate at least ten persons and would be reachable from any mine workplace within thirty minutes; that the entire 1200 Level shaft station would be isolated from exhaust air by closing the ventilation doors if necessary; and that backup power source would be on the surface for mine ventilation in the event of incoming utility power loss. The petitioner asserts that application of the mandatory standard would result in a diminution of safety to the miners. In addition, the petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

8. Morton International, Inc. and Miners, Inc.

[Docket No. M-97-09-M]

Morton International, Inc., and Miners, Inc., P.O. Box 1496, New Iberia, Louisiana 70562-1496 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 57.11050 (escapeways and refuges) to its Markel Mine (I.D. No. 16-00512) located in Iberia County, Louisiana. Miners, Inc., is an independent contractor (MSHA I.D. No. M2C), performing work in the abandoned Markel Mine, owned by Morton Salt. The petitioners, Morton Salt and Miners, Inc., request a variance to allow a 6-foot wide secondary escapeway in the center of the Diamond Drift of the mine; a barricade consisting of 1/8 inch

diameter steel cable and suspended on steel posts on each side of the travelway to mark the route; and "Keep Out" signs to be posted on the boundary of the 6-foot wide escapeway every 250 feet along the travelway. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

9. North American Salt Company

[Docket No. M-97-10-M]

North American Salt Company, P.O. Box 10, Lydia, Louisiana 70569 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 57.15031 (location of self-rescue devices) to its Cote Blanche Underground Salt Mine (I.D. No. 16-00358) located in St. Mary County, Louisiana. The petitioner requests a variance to allow supplies of self-rescue devices to be stored underground in strategic locations and readily accessible to the miners. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

10. ZCA Mines, Inc.

[Docket No. M-97-11-M]

ZCA Mines, Inc., P.O. Box 226, Hailesboro, New York 13645 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 57.11050 (escapeways and refuges) to its Balmat Mine No. 4 (I.D. No. 30-01185) located in St. Lawrence County, New York. The petitioner requests a variance to allow the underground employees to report to the refuge chamber when one of the hoist becomes inoperable for more than one hour instead of evacuating the mine. The petitioner states that the No. 4 Mine personnel can evacuate from the hoisting facility at the No. 4 Mine and the No. 2 Mine. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

11. North American Salt Company

[Docket No. M-97-12-M]

North American Salt Company, P.O. Box 10, Lydia, Louisiana 70569 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 57.22603 (blasting from the surface II-A mines) to its Cote Blanche Underground Salt Mine (I.D. No. 16-00358) located in St. Mary County, Louisiana. The petitioner requests a modification of the mandatory standard to allow specially prepared and limited shots of a shaft segment to be taken while men are underground. The petitioner asserts that the proposed

alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

Request for Comments

Persons interested in these petitions may furnish written comments. These comments must be filed with the Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, Mine Safety and Health Administration, Room 627, 4015 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22203. All comments must be postmarked or received in that office on or before December 5, 1997. Copies of these petitions are available for inspection at that address.

Dated: October 24, 1997.

Patricia W. Silvey,

Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances.

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INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY AND WATER COMMISSION, UNITED STATES AND MEXICO

International Boundary and Water Commission Notice

AGENCY: Border Environment Cooperation Commission (BECC).

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the 14th public meeting of the BECC Board of Directors on Friday, December 5, 1997, from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm, at the Cibeles Convention Center, located at Blvd. Tomás Fernández No. 8450, in Cd. Juarez, Chihuahua.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: M.R. Ybarra, Secretary, United States Section, International Boundary and Water Commission, telephone: (915) 534-6698; or Mr. Gonzalo Bravo, Public Participation Coordinator, Border Environment Cooperation Commission, P.O. Box 221648, El Paso, Texas 79913, telephone: (011-52-16) 29-23-95; fax: (011-52-16) 29-23-97; e-mail: becc@cocef.interjuarez.com.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The U.S. Section, International Boundary and Water Commission, on behalf of the Border Environment Cooperation Commission (BECC), cordially invites the public to attend the 14th Public Meeting of the BECC Board of Directors, on Friday, December 5th, from 9:00 am-2:00 pm, at the Cibeles Convention Center, located at Blvd. Tomás Fernández NO. 8450, in Cd. Juarez, Chihuahua.

Proposed Agenda

1. Approval of Agenda (Action)

2. Approval of Minutes (Action)
3. Executive Committee Report (Information)
4. Manager's Report (Information)
5. 1997 Status Report
6. Technical Assistance Program Update
7. Consideration of Projects for Certification
 - Mexicali I and II
 - Public Comments
 - Certification Consideration (Action)
 - Jonathon Rogers
 - Public Comments
 - Certification Consideration (Action)
8. Complaints Procedures (Action)
9. General Public Comments

Anyone interested in submitting written comments to the Board of Directors on any agenda item should send them to the BECC 15 days prior to the public meeting. Anyone interested in making a brief statement to the Board may do so during the public meeting.

Dated: October 30, 1997.

M.R. Ybarra,

Secretary, U.S. IBWC.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING MEETING: National Science Foundation, National Science Board.

DATE AND TIME: November 13, 1997, 1:30 p.m., Closed Session. November 13, 1997, 2:20 p.m., Open Session. November 14, 1997, 8:30 a.m., Open Session.

PLACE: National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 1225, Arlington, VA 22230.

STATUS: Part of this meeting will be open to the public. Part of this meeting will be closed to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Thursday, November 13, 1997

Closed Session (1:30 p.m.-2:20 p.m.)

- Minutes, August 1997 Meeting.
- Personnel.
- NSB Public Service Award.
- Awards and Agreements.

Thursday, November 13, 1997

Open Session (2:20 p.m.-5:45 p.m.)

- Minutes, August 1997.
- Minutes, October 1997.
- Closed Session Agenda Items for February 1998.
- Chairman's Report.
- Director's Report.
- Reports from Committees.