

posting copies of the notice in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, and by publishing the notice in the **Federal Register** of March 9, 2004 (69 FR 11041). The conference was held in Washington, DC, on March 19, 2004, and all persons who requested the opportunity were permitted to appear in person or by counsel.

The Commission transmitted its determinations in these investigations to the Secretary of Commerce on April 12, 2004. The views of the Commission are contained in USITC Publication 3685 (April 2004), entitled *Magnesium from China and Russia: Investigations Nos. 731-TA-1071-1072 (Preliminary)*.

Issued: May 17, 2004.

By order of the Commission.

Marilyn R. Abbott,

Secretary to the Commission.

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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 Director of the Division 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 Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than June 1, 2004.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments regarding the subject matter of the investigations to the Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than June 1, 2004.

The petitions filed in this case are available for inspection at the Office of the Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room C-5311, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210.

Signed in Washington, DC this 4th day of May, 2004.

Timothy Sullivan,

Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

APPENDIX

[Petitions instituted between 04/26/2004 and 04/30/2004]

TA-W	Subject firm (petitioners)	Location	Date of institution	Date of petition
54,777	Crown Risdon USA, Inc. (Comp)	Danbury, CT	04/26/2004	04/26/2004
54,778	Inflex, Inc. (MN)	Minnetonka, MN	04/26/2004	04/23/2004
54,779	Morgan Adhesives Co. (Wkrs)	N. Las Vegas, NV	04/26/2004	03/24/2004
54,780	Pottstown Metal Welding Company (Comp)	Pottstown, PA	04/26/2004	04/23/2004
54,781	Delta Mills, Inc. (Comp)	Piedmont, SC	04/26/2004	04/15/2004
54,782	B.J. Cutting (PA)	Hazleton, PA	04/27/2004	04/22/2004
54,783	Eighth Floor Promotions (Wkrs)	Bloomington, MN	04/27/2004	04/26/2004
54,784	Security Force (Wkrs)	Georgetown, SC	04/27/2004	04/26/2004
54,785	AVX Corp. (Wkrs)	Myrtle Beach, SC	04/27/2004	04/26/2004
54,786	Royce Hosiery, LLC (Wkrs)	Martinsburg, WV	04/27/2004	04/22/2004
54,787	Light Artistry, Inc. (Comp)	Pottsville, PA	04/27/2004	04/16/2004
54,788	Quadco, Inc (Comp)	Anchorage, AK	04/27/2004	04/26/2004
54,789	Edenton Dyeing and Finishing, LLC (Comp)	Edenton, NC	04/27/2004	04/22/2004
54,790	Bourns MMC, Inc. (Wkrs)	New Berlin, WI	04/27/2004	04/26/2004
54,791	Meridian Automotive Systems, Inc. (Comp)	Lenoir, NC	04/27/2004	04/19/2004
54,792	M and G Polymers USA, LLC (Wkrs)	Apple Grove, WV	04/27/2004	04/26/2004
54,793	Pyrotek (Wkrs)	Trenton, TN	04/27/2004	04/22/2004
54,794	Imperial Home Decor Group (WKRS)	Beachwood, OH	04/28/2004	04/21/2004
54,795	Kawai America Manufacturing, Inc. (Comp.)	Lincolnton, NC	04/28/2004	04/22/2004
54,796	Venture Industries (WKRS.)	Lancaster, OH	04/28/2004	04/23/2004
54,797	American Firelog Corp. of Ohio (Wkrs.)	Akron, OH	04/28/2004	04/21/2004
54,798	Band B Pacing Workshop (Comp.)	Strong, ME	04/28/2004	04/20/2004
54,799	Northland Extension Drills Inc. (State)	Grove City, MN	04/28/2004	04/27/2004
54,800	Johnson Controls Inc. (Comp.)	Holland, MI	04/28/2004	04/08/2004
54,801	Three Rivers Warehouse (Comp.)	Muskogee, OK	04/28/2004	04/21/2004
54,802	New Roads, Inc. (Wkrs.)	Martinsville, VA	04/28/2004	04/22/2004
54,803	Saint Gobain Performance Plastics (State)	Garden Grove, CA	04/28/2004	04/19/2004
54,804	Southern Glove Manufacture Co., Inc. (Comp.)	Duffield, VA	04/28/2004	04/19/2004
54,805	Plastek Industries (Wkrs.)	Erie, PA	04/28/2004	04/10/2004
54,806	Endwave (State)	Diamond Spring, CA	04/28/2004	04/19/2004
54,807	Robert Bosch Corporation (Wkrs.)	Gallatin, TN	04/29/2004	04/19/2004
54,808	Gateway Country Store (Wkrs.)	Indianapolis, IN	04/29/2004	04/26/2004
54,809	Hot Wax Candle Co. (Comp.)	Greensboro, NC	04/29/2004	04/08/2004
54,810	Webb Furniture Ent. Inc. (Comp.)	Galax, VA	04/29/2004	04/28/2004
54,811	Rock-Tenn Comp. (Comp.)	Wright City, MO	04/29/2004	04/26/2004
54,812	Vesuvius USA (Wkrs.)	Altoona, PA	04/29/2004	04/28/2004
54,813	W L Jacquard LLC (Comp)	Cliffside, NC	04/30/2004	04/29/2004

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54,814	Alyeska Pipeline Service Co. (Comp)	Anchorage, AK	04/30/2004	04/28/2004
54,815	JamiServices, Corp. (Wkrs)	Bishopville, SC	04/30/2004	04/28/2004
54,816	Phipps Patterns, Inc. (Wkrs)	Decatur, IL	04/30/2004	04/16/2004
54,817	RHC/Spacemaster Corp. (Wkrs)	Melrose Park, IL	04/30/2004	04/27/2007
54,818	Franklin Electri (IAM)	Muskegon, MI	04/30/2004	04/28/2004
54,819	Stetson Hat (Hatco) (UNITE)	St. Joseph, MO	04/30/2004	04/26/2004
54,820	Moosehead Manufacturing (ME)	Monson, ME	04/30/2004	04/07/2004
54,821	Burlington Industries (Comp)	Greensboro, NC	04/30/2004	04/15/2004
54,822	Honeywell (Wkrs)	Clearfield, UT	04/30/2004	04/09/2004
54,823	Ehlert Tool (WI)	New Berlin, WI	04/30/2004	04/26/2004
54,824	Safronics (Wkrs)	York, PA	04/30/2004	04/29/2004
54,825	Utica Enterprises, Inc. (MI)	Shelby Twp., MI	04/30/2004	04/20/2004
54,826	First Technology, Inc. (Comp)	Caribou, ME	04/30/2004	04/07/2004
54,827	Harris Fresh, LLC (Comp)	Coalinga, CA	04/30/2004	04/16/2004
54,828	Caraustar (UNITE)	Cedartown, GA	04/30/2004	04/02/2004
54,829	Manpower (Comp)	Poughkeepsie, NY	04/30/2004	04/23/2004
54,830	ITT Industries (Comp)	New Lexington, OH	04/30/2004	04/13/2004

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment Standards Administration

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor (DOL), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) [44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)]. This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Employment Standards Administration is soliciting comments concerning the proposed collection: Applications to Employ Special Industrial Homeworkers and Workers with Disabilities (Forms WH-2, WH-226 and WH-226A). A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the addresses section of this Notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addresses section below on or before July 20, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Ms. Hazel M. Bell, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Ave., NW., Room S-3201, Washington, DC 20210, telephone (202) 693-0418, fax (202) 693-1451, E-mail bell.hazel@dol.gov. Please use only one method of transmission for comments (mail, fax or E-mail).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

I. Background

Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) section 11(d) authorizes the Secretary of Labor to regulate, restrict or prohibit industrial homework as necessary to prevent evasion of the minimum wage requirement of the Act. DOL restricts homework in seven industries (knitted outerwear, women's apparel, jewelry manufacturing, gloves and mittens, button and buckle manufacturing, handkerchief manufacturing and embroideries) to those employers who obtain certificates.

In order to prevent curtailment of employment opportunities for persons with disabilities, FLSA section 14(c) allows employers to apply for a certificate from DOL authorizing payment of less than the Federal minimum wage to workers with impaired productivity because of disabilities.

Employers in a restricted industry use Form WH-2, when requesting permission to employ an individual industrial homeworker who is unable to work in a factory setting because he or she (a) is unable to adjust to such work because of age, or physical or mental disability; (b) is unable to leave home because his or her presence is required to care for an invalid in the home or (c) will be engaged in industrial homework

under the supervision of a State Vocational Rehabilitation Agency.

Employers use Form WH-226 and the supplemental data Form WH-226A when requesting authorization to employ workers with disabilities in competitive employment, in work centers and in hospitals or institutions at subminimum wages that are commensurate with wages paid to workers with no disabilities. School officials also use this form to request authorization for groups of students with disabilities to participate in school work experience programs. State vocational rehabilitation counselors and Veterans Administration officials use the form to grant or extend temporary authorization to employ on-the-job trainees with disabilities.

This information collection is currently approved for use through November 30, 2004.

II. Review Focus

The Department of Labor is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the