manufacturing opiate active pharmaceutical ingredients; about Houba's knowledge of and experience with the international marketplace, customs and practices associated with purchases of narcotic raw materials, and control of possible diversion of those materials; and about whether Houba's manufacturing facility complies with DEA's security requirements, including those pertaining to the transport of narcotic raw materials from their port of entry in the United States to Houba's facility. Finally, Penick asserts that Halsey has suffered serious financial difficulties and may be seeking an importer registration in order to attract potential investors and funding, and that Halsey has encountered various regulatory problems.

Mallinckrodt's Comments

Mallinckrodt asserts that Houba bears but cannot meet the burden of providing that its application satisfies applicable legal standards; that DEA, pursuant to its "eighty-twenty rule" (21 CFR 1312.13(f), requires importers of narcotic raw material to purchase eighty percent of these substances from India and/or Turkey and the remaining twenty percent from Yugoslavia, France, Poland, Hungary, and/or Australia, which provides insurmountable cost advantages to foreign producers; that in order to demonstrate that its application is in the public interest, Houba must demonstrate not only that it has adequate physical security at its facility, but also that it has a proven technology for processing narcotic raw materials that meets federal regulatory requirements, a detailed marketing and business plan, plans and firm capital commitments for construction of the facility in which it will process narcotic raw materials, and personnel with experience and expertise to implement the proven technology with minimal

wastage of narcotic raw materials. Mallinckrodt further asserts that DEA is required to limit the number of importers and that the existing registrants provide an adequate supply under adequately competitive conditions. In addition, Mallinckrodt asserts that Houba should be required to demonstrate that, if registered, it would produce opiates from both opium and poppy straw concentrate, because failing to do so would violate DEA's "eighty-twenty-rule" and DEA's policy against permitting manufacturers to hold registrations and no use them, and because failing to do so would increase the instability of supply of narcotic raw materials. Finally, Mallinckrodt asserts that Halsey admits that it is in a precarious financial position, that Halsey is in a position to control Houba's management and operations, and that Halsey had a poor history of compliance with regulatory requirements throughout the 1990s; that it is uncertain whether Houba has the technical capability to process opium and poppy straw concentrate; and that Mallinckrodt has no knowledge that Houba has any experience in importing or extracting narcotic raw materials.

Dated: December 13, 2002.

John B. Brown III,

Deputy Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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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 December 30, 2002.

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 December 30, 2002.

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Signed at Washington, DC this 6th day of December, 2002.

Edward A. Tomchick,

Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

APPENDIX
[Petitions instituted between 11/25/2002 and 11/29/2002]

TA-W	Subject Firm (petitioners)	Location	Date of institution	Date of petition
50,174 50,175 50,176 50,177 50,179 50,180 50,181 50,182 50,183	(petitioners) Burgess Norton Foundry (Comp)	Muskegon, MI New York, NY Glenns Ferry, ID McBee, SC Corvallis, OR Hanover, MI York, PA Hillsboro, IL Troutdale, OR Port Huron, MI Hickory, NC	institution 11/25/2002 11/25/2002 11/25/2002 11/25/2002 11/25/2002 11/25/2002 11/25/2002 11/25/2002 11/26/2002 11/26/2002 11/26/2002	petition 11/09/2002 11/22/2002 11/22/2002 11/22/2002 11/18/2002 11/22/2002 11/22/2002 11/20/2002 11/19/2002 11/13/2002
50,185	Smurfit-Stond (PACE)	Milwaukee, WI	11/26/2002	11/22/2002
50,186 50,187	Don Shapiro Industries (Comp)	El Paso, TX Midland Park, NJ	11/26/2002 11/26/2002	11/06/2002 11/19/2002

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TA-W	Subject Firm (petitioners)	Location	Date of institution	Date of petition
50,188	JDS Uniphase (NJ)	West Trenton, NJ	11/26/2002	11/14/2002
50,189	Temco Fireplace Products (Wkrs)	Manchester, TN	11/26/2002	11/21/2002
50,190	Powdertech Corp. (Comp)	Valparaiso, IN	11/26/2002	11/20/2002
50,191	Alfred Dunner, Inc. (NJ)	Parsippany, NJ	11/26/2002	11/14/2002
50,192	Smith and Wesson Corp. (Comp)	Springfield, MA	11/26/2002	11/22/2002
50,193	Dan River, Inc. (Wkrs)	Greenville, SC	11/26/2002	11/06/2002
50,194	Allen-Edmonds Shoe Corp. (Wkrs)	Lewiston, ME	11/26/2002	11/18/2002
50,195	ZSML Corp. (Comp)	San Fernando, CA	11/26/2002	11/14/2002
50,196	Rockford Company (The) (Comp)	Rockford, IL	11/26/2002	11/26/2002
50,197	Williamsport Wirerope Works (USWA)	Williamsport, PA	11/27/2002	11/22/2002
50,198	Vaagen Brothers Lumber, Inc. (Comp)	Republic, WA	11/27/2002	11/25/2002
50,199	J Dreier Enterprises LTD (Comp)	New Brighton, MN	11/27/2002	11/19/2002
50,200	Wabash Alloys LLC (Comp)	Benton, AR	11/27/2002	11/25/2002
50,201	Aerostar International, Inc. (Wkrs)	Parkston, SD	11/27/2002	11/19/2002
50,202	General Electric Company (USWA)	Bridgeville, PA	11/27/2002	11/19/2002
50,203	SMS Eumuco, Inc. (Comp)	Pittsburgh, PA	11/27/2002	11/21/2002
50,204	Kokusai Semiconductor Equipment Corp. (Co	N. Billerica, MA	11/27/2002	11/16/2002
50,205	McInnes Rolled Rings (Wkrs)	Erie, PA	11/27/2002	11/26/2002
50,206	Inland production Company (Wkrs)	Myton, UT	11/27/2002	11/25/2002
50,207	Dana Corporation (Wkrs)	Morganton, NC	11/27/2002	11/19/2002
50,208	Marshall Erdman Techline (UBCJA	Waunakee, WI	11/27/2002	11/26/2002
50,209	Facemate Corp. (Wkrs)	Greenwood, SC	11/27/2002	11/18/2002
50,210	Convereys (Wkrs)	Jacksonville, FL	11/27/2002	11/11/2002
50,211	Trigon Engineering (AR)	Lt. Rock, AR	11/27/2002	11/27/2002
50,212	Lakeside Machine, Inc. (IBT)	Gladstone, MI	11/27/2002	11/27/2002
50,213	Fishercast, Inc. (Comp)	Watertown, NY	11/27/2002	11/20/2002
50,214	Arvin/Meritor Automotive (UAW)	Oshkosh, WI	11/29/2002	11/27/2002
50,215	Greystone, Inc. (Comp)	Providence, RI	11/29/2002	11/26/2002
50,216	Carney Products Company, LTD (Comp)	Saint Maries, ID	11/29/2002	11/13/2002
50,217	Emerald Creek Garnet (Comp)	Fernwood, ID	11/29/2002	11/27/2002
50,218	United Sewing (Comp)	Etowah, TN	11/29/2002	11/27/2002
50,219	Maytag NLP (UAW)	Newton, IA	11/29/2002	11/27/2002
50,220	Trus Joist, A Weyerhaeuser Business (Wkrs)	Stayton, OR	11/29/2002	11/26/2002
50,221	Ericsson Wireless Communications (Comp)	San Diego, CA	11/29/2002	11/21/2002
50,222	Great Northern Tool and Die, Inc. (Comp)	Chesterfield, MI	11/29/2002	11/22/2002

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Signed at Washington, DC this 29the day of November, 2002.

Edward A. Tomchick,

Director, Division of Trade Adjustment

APPENDIX

[Petitions instituted between 11/18/2002 and 11/22/2002]

TA-W	Subject Firm (petitioners)	Location	Date of institution	Date of petition
50,107	Optek Technology, Inc. (Wkrs)	Carrollton, TX	11/18/2002	11/15/2002