

Notice of Negative Determination Regarding Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance applicable to workers and former workers of the subject firm. The Department's negative determination was issued on March 30, 2007. The Department's Notice of determination was published in the **Federal Register** on April 10, 2007 (72 FR 17938). Workers provided administrative support to various affiliated facilities.

The initial investigation found that a majority of the administrative work done by the petitioning worker groups is not directed toward support of production taking place at certified affiliated production facilities and that a preponderance of the separations are the result of the subject firm's decision to outsource positions outside of the corporation.

The negative determination stated that worker separations are not caused by imports but by the subject firm's decision to outsource administrative support positions, and stated that the separations cannot be directly attributed to imports or a shift in production of an article.

In the request for reconsideration, counsel alleged that the petitioning worker groups either had a "direct link to" or directly supported production at affiliated certified production facilities.

The Department has carefully reviewed the request for reconsideration and has determined that further investigation is appropriate.

### Conclusion

After careful review of the application, I conclude that the claim is of sufficient weight to justify reconsideration of the U.S. Department of Labor's prior decision. The application is, therefore, granted.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 29th day of May 2007.

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-60,962 and TA-W-60,962A]

#### **Mitchel Manufacturing, a Division of Quaker Lace, Honea Path, SC; Mitchel Manufacturing, a Division of Quaker Lace Showroom/Sales Office, New York, NY; Amended Certification Regarding Eligibility To Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance and Alternative Trade Adjustment Assistance**

In accordance with Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2273), and Section 246 of the Trade Act of 1974 (26 U.S.C. 2813), as amended, the Department of Labor issued a Certification Regarding Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance and Alternative Trade Adjustment Assistance on February 23, 2007, applicable to workers of Mitchel Manufacturing, a division of Quaker Lace, Honea Path, South Carolina. The notice was published in the **Federal Register** on March 8, 2007 (72 FR 10561).

At the request of the State agency, the Department reviewed the certification for workers of the subject firm. The workers are engaged in the production of lace curtains and tablecloths.

New information shows that a worker separation occurred at the Showroom/Sales Office, New York, New York facility of the subject firm. The New York, New York location served as the showroom/sales office for the subject firms' production facility in Honea Path, South Carolina.

Based on these findings, the Department is amending the certification to include a worker of the Showroom/Sales Office, New York, New York location of Mitchel Manufacturing, a division of Quaker Lace.

The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers of Mitchel Manufacturing, a division of Quaker Lace, Honea Path, South Carolina and the Showroom/Sales Office, New York, New York who were adversely affected by increased company imports.

The amended notice applicable to TA-W-60,962 is hereby issued as follows:

All workers of Mitchel Manufacturing, a division of Quaker Lace Honea Path, South Carolina (TA-W-60,962) and Mitchel Manufacturing, a division of Quaker Lace, Showroom/Sales Office, New York, New York (TA-W-60,962A), who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after February 6, 2006, through February 23,

2009, are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974 and are also eligible to apply for alternative trade adjustment assistance under Section 246 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed at Washington, DC this 25th day of May 2007.

**Elliott S. Kushner,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-61,129]

#### **Romar Textile Co., Inc., Wampum, PA; Notice of Affirmative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration**

By application postmarked April 16, 2007, a company official requested administrative reconsideration of the Department of Labor's Notice of Negative Determination Regarding Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance, applicable to workers and former workers of the subject firm. The determination was issued on March 29, 2007 and published in the **Federal Register** on April 10, 2007 (72 FR 17938).

The initial investigation resulted in a negative determination based on the finding that workers of the subject firm do not produce an article or support production of an article within the meaning of Section 222 of the Act.

The Department reviewed the request for reconsideration and has determined that the petitioner has provided additional information. Therefore, the Department will conduct further investigation to determine if the workers meet the eligibility requirements of the Trade Act of 1974.

### Conclusion

After careful review of the application, I conclude that the claim is of sufficient weight to justify reconsideration of the Department of Labor's prior decision. The application is, therefore, granted.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 25th of May, 2007.

**Elliott S. Kushner,**

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