

eligible to apply for alternative trade adjustment assistance under Section 246 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 19th day of May 2006.

Richard Church,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

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Westpoint Home; Abbeville Plant; Abbeville, AL; Notice of Termination of Investigation

Pursuant to Section 221 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, an investigation was initiated on April 5, 2006 in response to a petition filed by a company official on behalf of workers at Westpoint Home, Abbeville Plant, Abbeville, Alabama.

The petitioner has requested that the petition be withdrawn. Consequently, the investigation has been terminated.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 16th day of May, 2006.

Elliott S. Kushner,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment Standards Administration

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, 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: Secretary of Labor's Opportunity Award, Exemplary Voluntary Effort (EVE), and Exemplary Public Interest Contribution (EPIC) Awards. 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 August 7, 2006.

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

The Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP) is responsible for the administration of the Secretary of Labor's Opportunity Award, Exemplary Voluntary Effort (EVE), and Exemplary Public Interest Contribution (EPIC) Awards. These awards are presented annually to Federal contractors and non-profit organizations whose activities support the mission of the OFCCP. The recognition of Federal contractors who are in compliance with the OFCCP regulations and who work with community and public interest organizations sends a positive message throughout the U.S. Labor Force and business community.

The Secretary of Labor's Opportunity and EVE award recipients must be Federal contractors covered by Executive Order 11246, as amended; Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act, as amended, and the Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act, as amended.

The Secretary of Labor's Opportunity Award is presented to one contractor each year that has established and instituted comprehensive workforce strategies to ensure equal employment opportunity. The EVE Award is given to those contractors who have demonstrated through programs or activities, exemplary and innovative efforts to create an inclusive American Workforce. The EPIC Award is presented to public interest organizations that have supported equal employment opportunity and linked their efforts with those of the Federal contractors to enhance employment

opportunities for those with the least opportunity to join the workforce. Guidelines for the nomination process can be found in Administrative Notice Number 261 dated January 21, 2003; to view the Notice visit OFCCP web page address at <http://www.dol.gov/esa/media/reports/ofccp/evedr261.pdf>. This information collection is currently approved for use through January 31, 2007.

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 use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

III. Current Actions

OFCCP seeks a three-year extension for the approval of the Secretary of Labor's Opportunity Award, Exemplary Voluntary Effort (EVE), and Exemplary Public Interest Contribution (EPIC) Awards. There is no change in the substance or method of collection since the last OMB approval. OFCCP revised the burden hour estimates associated with the awards based on the number of nominations received for Calendar Year (CY) 2005. During CY 2005, OFCCP received two (2) Secretary's Opportunity, seventeen (17) EVE, and twenty (20) EPIC award nominations. This information collection recognizes outstanding Federal contractors and non-profit public interest organizations with exceptional equal opportunity and nondiscrimination programs that support the OFCCP mission.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Employment Standards Administration.

Title: Secretary of Labor's Opportunity Award, Exemplary Voluntary Effort (EVE), and Exemplary