DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-63,605]

CPU2, LLC, Arden, NC; Notice of Termination of Investigation

Pursuant to Section 221 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, an investigation was initiated on June 26, 2008 in response to a worker petition filed by a company official on behalf of workers of CPU2, LLC, Arden, North Carolina.

The petitioner has requested that the petition be withdrawn.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

Signed at Washington, DC, this 24th day of July 2008.

Linda G. Poole,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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[TA-W-63,648]

Hanesbrands Inc., Oak Summit Division, Winston-Salem, NC; Notice of Termination of Investigation

Pursuant to Section 221 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, an investigation was initiated on July 8, 2008 in response to a worker petition filed on behalf of workers of Hanesbrands Inc., Oak Summit Division, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

The petitioning group of workers is covered by an active certification, (TA–W–61,962A) which expires on September 13, 2009. Consequently, further investigation in this case would serve no purpose, and the investigation has been terminated.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 28th day of July 2008.

Linda G. Poole,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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[TA-W-62,853]

Irving Forest Products, Nashville Plantation, Maine; Notice of Negative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration

By application dated July 12, 2008, the United Steel Workers, Local 4-1310 (the Union) requested administrative reconsideration of the Department's negative determination regarding eligibility to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) and Alternative Trade Adjustment Assistance (ATAA) applicable to workers and former workers of Irving Forest Products, Nashville Plantation, Maine (the subject firm). The determination was signed on May 30, 2008. The Department's Notice of determination was published in the Federal Register on June 16, 2008 (73 FR 34044). The workers produce lumber and woodchips, and are not separately identifiable by product line.

The denial was based on the Department's findings that the subject firm did not import lumber or woodchips and did not shift production of lumber or woodchips to a foreign country during the relevant period.

A survey of the subject firm's major declining customers regarding their purchases of lumber and woodchips revealed that most customers decreased imports during the relevant period and that any imports did not contribute importantly to subject firm sales and production declines.

Aggregate U.S. imports of coniferous lumber declined in 2007 compared with 2006, and continued to decline in January 2008 compared with the corresponding 2007 period. Aggregate U.S. imports of both coniferous and non-coniferous wood in chips or particles declined in 2007 compared with 2006, and declined in January through February 2008 over the corresponding 2007 period.

Pursuant to 29 CFR 90.18(c), reconsideration may be granted under the following circumstances:

- (1) If it appears on the basis of facts not previously considered that the determination complained of was erroneous:
- (2) If it appears that the determination complained of was based on a mistake in the determination of facts not previously considered; or
- (3) If in the opinion of the Certifying Officer, a mis-interpretation of facts or of the law justified reconsideration of the decision.

In the request for reconsideration, the Union asserts the following three points:

- (1) With regards to the TAA group eligibility requirements for directly-impacted workers, "the reasons for denial are unfair as it relates to choosing 1 area from each section when only the criteria from one section needs to be met".
- met'';
 (2) "We feel it is inaccurate to first look at the entire United States aggregate imports of coniferous lumber" because in order "for the Trade Act to protect the workers that it is intended to protect it should be pliable in its review as it relates to specific regions" and that the Department's review should consider that "trade may only have slowed over the past 12 months due to high transportation costs as well as equalizing the value of the dollar while discounting the impact trade has had leading up to the devastation of the lumber industry all along the eastern seaboard"; and
- (3) The Department failed to receive information from the subject firm regarding "the possible shift or planned shift in production from its Nashville Plantation, Maine mill to its other facilities".

In order to apply for TAA, petitioners must satisfy the group eligibility requirements for directly-impacted (primary) workers under Section 222(a) the Trade Act of 1974, as amended. The group eligibility requirements can be satisfied in one of two ways, either Section (a)(2)(A) or Section (a)(2)(B).

In order to satisfy Section (a)(2)(A), all of the following criteria must be met:

A. A significant number or proportion of the workers in such workers' firm, or an appropriate subdivision of the firm, have become totally or partially separated, or are threatened to become totally or partially separated; and

B. The sales or production, or both, of such firm or subdivision have decreased absolutely; and

C. Increased imports of articles like or directly competitive with articles produced by such firm or subdivision have contributed importantly to such workers' separation or threat of separation and to the decline in sales or production of such firm or subdivision.

In order to satisfy Section (a)(2)(B), all of the following criteria must be met:

A. A significant number or proportion of the workers in such workers' firm, or an appropriate subdivision of the firm, have become totally or partially separated, or are threatened to become totally or partially separated; and

B. There has been a shift in production by such workers' firm or subdivision to a foreign country of articles like or directly competitive with