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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### Submission for OMB Review: Comment Request

October 22, 2008.

The Department of Labor (DOL) hereby announces the submission of the following public information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35). A copy of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation; including among other things a description of the likely respondents, proposed frequency of response, and estimated total burden may be obtained from the RegInfo.gov Web site at <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain> or by contacting Amy Hobby on 202-693-4553 (this is not a toll-free number)/e-mail: [DOL\\_PRA\\_PUBLIC@dol.gov](mailto:DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov).

Interested parties are encouraged to send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the Employment Standards Administration (ESA), Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, Telephone: 202-395-7316/Fax: 202-395-6974 (these are not toll-free numbers), e-mail: [OIRA\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov) within 30 days from the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**. In order to ensure the appropriate consideration, comments should reference the OMB Control Number (see below).

The OMB 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 submission of responses.

*Agency:* Employment Standards Administration.

*Type of Review:* Extension without change of an existing OMB Control Number.

*Title of Collection:* Notice of Controversion of Right to Compensation.

*OMB Control Number:* 1215-0023.

*Agency Form Number(s):* LS-207.

*Affected Public:* Businesses or other for-profits.

*Total Estimated Number of Respondents:* 700.

*Total Estimated Annual Burden Hours:* 4,375.

*Total Estimated Annual Costs Burden:* \$8,662.

*Description:* The LS-207 is used by insurance carriers and self-insured employers to controvert claims under the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act. For additional information, see related notice published at 73 FR 37987 on July 2, 2008.

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-63,761]

#### Level 3 Communications, L.L.C., Austin, TX; Notice of Negative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration

By application dated September 29, 2008, a worker 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 Level 3 Communications, L.L.C., Austin, Texas (subject firm). The determination was issued on September 11, 2008. The Department's Notice of determination was published in the **Federal Register** on September 24, 2008 (73 FR 55137). The subject workers are engaged in telecommunication activities

related to network design and provisioning in support of customer requests, infrastructure, and network grooming activities.

The petition for TAA was denied because the workers do not produce an article within the meaning of Section 222(a)(2) of the Trade Act of 1974. In order to be certified eligible to apply for ATAA, the worker group must be eligible to apply for TAA. Since the worker group is denied eligibility to apply for TAA, they cannot be certified eligible to apply for ATAA.

In the request for reconsideration, the worker stated that "the position I held did create an article that was required by the customers \* \* \* a document referred to as an LOA (Letter of Authorization)." The worker also states that the LOA "provided vital information, which included the actual circuit and channel assignment, to the customer. Without this information they would not be able to physically connect to the correct equipment in the field \* \* \* The LOA also gave them a legal document that stated they were allowed to connect to our equipment and or we were allowed to connect to their equipment in the field. The circuit design and or provisioning could not be done or move forward without this LOA."

Pursuant to 29 CFR 90.18(c), administrative 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 misinterpretation of facts or of the law justified reconsideration of the decision.

In order to be considered eligible to apply for adjustment assistance, the worker group seeking certification must work for a firm or appropriate subdivision that produces an article and there must be a relationship between the workers' work and the article produced by the workers' firm or appropriate subdivision.

The workers' firm provides telecommunication network services. The firm's Web site states that it is a "provider of fiber-based communication services \* \* \* Our network offerings include Internet Protocol (IP) services \* \* \* content and video delivery, data and voice services." Further, previously-submitted documents, including the petition and the