

whose workers are certified eligible to apply for TAA based on increased imports from or a shift in production to Mexico or Canada) and Section 246(a)(3)(A)(ii) of the Trade Act have been met.

None.

Negative Determinations for Alternative Trade Adjustment Assistance

In the following cases, it has been determined that the requirements of 246(a)(3)(A)(ii) have not been met for the reasons specified.

The Department has determined that criterion (1) of Section 246 has not been met. The firm does not have a significant number of workers 50 years of age or older.

None.

The Department has determined that criterion (2) of Section 246 has not been met. Workers at the firm possess skills that are easily transferable.

None.

The Department has determined that criterion (3) of Section 246 has not been met. Competition conditions within the workers' industry are not adverse.

None.

Negative Determinations for Worker Adjustment Assistance and Alternative Trade Adjustment Assistance

In the following cases, the investigation revealed that the eligibility criteria for worker adjustment assistance have not been met for the reasons specified.

Because the workers of the firm are not eligible to apply for TAA, the workers cannot be certified eligible for ATAA.

The investigation revealed that criteria (a)(2)(A)(I.A.) and (a)(2)(B)(II.A.) (employment decline) have not been met.

None.

The investigation revealed that criteria (a)(2)(A)(I.B.) (Sales or production, or both, did not decline) and (a)(2)(B)(II.B.) (shift in production to a foreign country) have not been met.

None.

The investigation revealed that criteria (a)(2)(A)(I.C.) (increased imports) and (a)(2)(B)(II.B.) (shift in production to a foreign country) have not been met.

TA-W-63,921; Nobel Automotive TN, LLC, Paris, TN.

TA-W-63,956; Cooper Standard Automotive, Body and Chassis Division, Gaylord, MI.

TA-W-64,023; CBC Latrobe Acquisitions, LLC, a Subsidiary of City Brewery Company, LLC, Latrobe, PA.

TA-W-64,076; Pearson Education, Inc., York, PA.

TA-W-64,107; Dillard's Department Stores, Women's Design Division, Little Rock, AR.

TA-W-64,146; Angelo DiMaria, Inc., Providence, RI.

The workers' firm does not produce an article as required for certification under Section 222 of the Trade Act of 1974.

TA-W-64,068; Memorex Products, Inc., Cerritos, CA.

TA-W-64,095; Liberty Hardware Manufacturing Corporation, Randolph, NJ.

TA-W-64,133; Cencorp LLC, Boulder, CO.

TA-W-64,185; PL Subsidiary, Inc., Charlotte, NC.

The investigation revealed that criteria of Section 222(b)(2) has not been met. The workers' firm (or subdivision) is not a supplier to or a downstream producer for a firm whose workers were certified eligible to apply for TAA.

None.

I hereby certify that the aforementioned determinations were

issued during the period of October 20 through October 27, 2008. Copies of these determinations are available for inspection in Room C-5311, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210 during normal business hours or will be mailed to persons who write to the above address.

Dated: November 4, 2008.

Erin Fitzgerald,

Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Federal-State Unemployment Compensation Program: Certifications for 2008 Under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Labor signed the annual certifications under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act, 26 U.S.C. 3301 *et seq.*, thereby enabling employers who make contributions to state unemployment funds to obtain certain credits against their liability for the federal unemployment tax. By letter, the certifications were transmitted to the Secretary of the Treasury. The letter and certifications are printed below.

Signed in Washington, DC November 3, 2008.

Brent R. Orrell,

Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor, Employment and Training Administration.

SECRETARY OF LABOR
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20210


October 31, 2008

The Honorable Henry M. Paulson
Secretary of the Treasury
Department of the Treasury
1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20220

Dear Secretary Paulson:

Transmitted herewith are an original and one copy of the certifications of the states and their unemployment compensation laws for the 12-month period ending on October 31, 2008. One is required with respect to the normal Federal unemployment tax credit by Section 3304 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (IRC), and the other is required with respect to the additional tax credit by Section 3303 of the IRC. Both certifications list all 53 jurisdictions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Elaine L. Chao". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "E" and "L".

Elaine L. Chao

Enclosures

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D.C.

CERTIFICATION OF STATES TO THE
SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY
PURSUANT TO SECTION 3304(c) OF THE
INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986

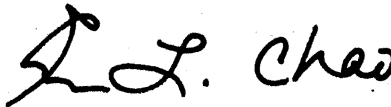
In accordance with the provisions of Section 3304(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 3304(c)), I hereby certify the following named states to the Secretary of the Treasury for the 12-month period ending on October 31, 2008, in regard to the unemployment compensation laws of those states which heretofore have been approved under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act:

Alabama	Idaho
Alaska	Illinois
Arizona	Indiana
Arkansas	Iowa
California	Kansas
Colorado	Kentucky
Connecticut	Louisiana
Delaware	Maine
District of Columbia	Maryland
Florida	Massachusetts
Georgia	Michigan
Hawaii	Minnesota

Mississippi	Puerto Rico
Missouri	Rhode Island
Montana	South Carolina
Nebraska	South Dakota
Nevada	Tennessee
New Hampshire	Texas
New Jersey	Utah
New Mexico	Vermont
New York	Virginia
North Carolina	Virgin Islands
North Dakota	Washington
Ohio	West Virginia
Oklahoma	Wisconsin
Oregon	Wyoming
Pennsylvania	

This certification is for the maximum normal credit allowable under Section 3302(a) of the Code.

Signed at Washington, D.C., on October 31, 2008.



Elaine L. Chao
Secretary of Labor

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D.C.

CERTIFICATION OF STATE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION LAWS TO
THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY PURSUANT TO SECTION
3303(b)(1) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986


In accordance with the provisions of paragraph (1) of Section 3303(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 3303(b)(1)), I hereby certify the unemployment compensation laws of the following named states, which heretofore have been certified pursuant to paragraph (3) of Section 3303(b) of the Code, to the Secretary of the Treasury for the 12-month period ending on October 31, 2008:

Alabama	Idaho
Alaska	Illinois
Arizona	Indiana
Arkansas	Iowa
California	Kansas
Colorado	Kentucky
Connecticut	Louisiana
Delaware	Maine
District of Columbia	Maryland
Florida	Massachusetts
Georgia	Michigan

Hawaii	Minnesota
Mississippi	Puerto Rico
Missouri	Rhode Island
Montana	South Carolina
Nebraska	South Dakota
Nevada	Tennessee
New Hampshire	Texas
New Jersey	Utah
New Mexico	Vermont
New York	Virginia
North Carolina	Virgin Islands
North Dakota	Washington
Ohio	West Virginia
Oklahoma	Wisconsin
Oregon	Wyoming
Pennsylvania	

This certification is for the maximum additional credit allowable under Section 3302(b) of the Code.

Signed at Washington, D.C., on October 31, 2008.



Elaine L. Chao
Secretary of Labor

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. OSHA-2008-0044]

Permit-Required Confined Spaces; Extension of the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) Approval of Information Collection (Paperwork) Requirements

AGENCY: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Labor.

ACTION: Request for public comment.

SUMMARY: OSHA solicits comments concerning its proposal to extend OMB approval of the information collection requirement contained in the Standard on Permit-Required Confined Spaces (29 CFR 1910.146). The purpose of the information is to ensure that employers systematically evaluate the dangers in permit spaces before entry is attempted, and to ensure that adequate measures are taken to make the spaces safe for entry.

DATES: Comments must be submitted (postmarked, sent, or received) by January 9, 2009.

ADDRESSES: *Electronically:* You may submit comments and attachments electronically at <http://www.regulations.gov>, which is the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Follow the instructions online for submitting comments.

Facsimile: If your comments, including attachments, are not longer than 10 pages, you may fax them to the OSHA Docket Office at (202) 693-1648.

Mail, hand delivery, express mail, messenger, or courier service: When using this method, you must submit three copies of your comments and attachments to the OSHA Docket Office, Docket No. OSHA-2008-0044, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Room N-2625, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210. Deliveries (hand, express mail, messenger, and courier service) are accepted during the Department of Labor's and Docket Office's normal business hours, 8:15 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., e.t.

Instructions: All submissions must include the Agency name and OSHA docket number for the ICR (OSHA-2008-0044). All comments, including any personal information you provide, are placed in the public docket without

change, and may be made available online at <http://www.regulations.gov>. For further information on submitting comments see the "Public Participation" heading in the section of this notice titled **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

Docket: To read or download comments or other material in the docket, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> or the OSHA Docket Office at the address above. All documents in the docket (including this **Federal Register** notice) are listed in the <http://www.regulations.gov> index; however, some information (e.g., copyrighted material) is not publicly available to read or download through the Web site. All submissions, including copyrighted material, are available for inspection and copying at the OSHA Docket Office. You may also contact Theda Kenney at the address below to obtain a copy of the ICR.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Theda Kenney or Todd Owen, Directorate of Standards and Guidance, OSHA, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-3609, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210; telephone (202) 693-2222.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent (i.e., employer) burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on proposed and continuing information collection requirements in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program ensures that information is in the desired format, reporting burden (time and costs) is minimal, collection instruments are clearly understood, and OSHA's estimate of the information collection burden is accurate. The Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (the OSH Act) (29 U.S.C. 651 *et seq.*) authorizes information collection by employers as necessary or appropriate for enforcement of the Act or for developing information regarding the causes and prevention of occupational injuries, illnesses, and accidents (29 U.S.C. 657). The OSH Act also requires that OSHA obtain such information with minimum burden upon employers, especially those operating small businesses, and to reduce to the maximum extent feasible unnecessary duplication of efforts in obtaining information (29 U.S.C. 657).

Section 1910.146(c)(2) requires the employer to post danger signs to inform

exposed employees of the existence and location of, and the danger posed by, permit spaces.

Section 1910.146(c)(4) requires the employer to develop and implement a written "permit-space program" when the employer decides that its employees will enter permit-spaces. The written program is to be made available for inspection by employees and their authorized representatives. Section 1910.146(d) provides the employer with the requirements of a permit-required confined space program ("permit-space program") required under this paragraph.

Section 1910.146(c)(5)(i)(E) requires that the determinations and supporting data specified by paragraphs (c)(5)(i)(A), (c)(5)(i)(B), and (c)(5)(i)(C) of this section are documented by the employer and are made available to each employee who enters a permit space or to that employee's authorized representative.

Under paragraph (c)(5)(ii)(H) of § 1910.146, the employer is required to verify that the space is safe for entry and that the pre-entry measures required by paragraph (c)(5)(ii) of this section have been taken, using a written certification that contains the date, the location of the space, and the signature of the person providing the certification. The certification is to be made before entry and is required to be made available to each employee entering the space or to that employee's authorized representative.

Section 1910.146(c)(7)(iii) requires the employer to document the basis for determining that all hazards in a permit space have been eliminated using a certification that contains the date, the location of the space, and the signature of the person making the determination. The certification is to be made available to each employee entering the space or to that employee's authorized representative.

Section 1910.146(c)(8)(i) requires that the employer inform the contractor that the workplace contains permit spaces and that permit space entry is allowed only through compliance with a permit space program meeting the requirements of this section.

Section 1910.146(c)(8)(ii) requires that the employer apprise the contractor of the elements, including the hazards identified and the host employer's experience with the space, that make the space in question a permit space. Section 1910.146(c)(8)(iii) requires that the employer apprise the contractor of any precautions or procedures that the host employer has implemented for the protection of employees in or near permit spaces where contractor