

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments to Susan Worden, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance Room N-5428, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20210. Telephone number: 202-693-3517 (this is not a toll-free number). Individuals with hearing or speech impairments may access the telephone number above via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 1-877-889-5627 (TTY/TDD). Fax: 202-693-3585 Email: [worden.susan@dol.gov](mailto:worden.susan@dol.gov). A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the office listed above.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Background**

The Department uses information from the TAPR Form completed by the states to establish state funding needs and evaluate the effectiveness of state administration of the Trade Adjustment Assistance program under the Trade Act. The Department is requesting a three year extension of the currently approved collection in order to continue to meet reporting requirements in Sections 239 and 249B of the Trade Act, as amended.

**II. Review Focus**

The Department 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**

*Type of Review:* extension without changes.

*Title:* Trade Activity Participant Report.

*OMB Number:* 1205-0392.

*Affected Public:* State, Local or Tribal Governments.

*Form(s):* Trade Activity Participant Report.

*Total Annual Respondents:* 50.

*Annual Frequency:* Quarterly.

*Total Annual Responses:* 200.

*Average Time per Response:* 47.5 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden*

*Hours:* 9,500.

*Total Annual Burden Cost for Respondents:* \$0.

Comments submitted in response to this request will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the ICR; they will also become a matter of public record.

**Jane Oates,**

*Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training, Labor.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

**Employment and Training Administration**

[TA-W-80,490]

**Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation, Primary Care Business Unit (Sales) Division, East Operating Unit, North Operating Unit and South Operating Unit, Formerly Known as Southeast Operating Unit, Southwest Operating Unit, Northwest Operating Unit and Northeast Operating Unit, Including On-Site Leased Workers From Inventiv Health, Ashfield Healthcare, and Pro Unlimited, East Hanover, NJ and Off-Site Workers of Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation, Primary Care Business Unit (Sales) Division, East Operating Unit in Illinois Who Report to East Hanover, NJ; Amended Certification Regarding Eligibility To Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance**

In accordance with Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended ("Act"), 19 U.S.C. 2273, the Department of Labor issued a Certification of Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance on January 6, 2012, applicable to workers of Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation, Primary Care Business Unit (Sales) Division, East Hanover, New Jersey. The Department's notice of determination was published in the **Federal Register** on January 24, 2012 (77 FR 3501). The notice was amended on May 4, 2012 and October 17, 2012 to include workers under the control of the subject firm working off-site in Illinois and to include the primary Care Business Unit Division

that is part of the East Operating Unit. The amended notices were published in the **Federal Register** on May 16, 2012 (77 FR 28901) and October 29, 2012 (77 FR 65581) respectively.

At the request of a company official, the Department reviewed the certification for workers of the subject firm.

New information shows that following a company merger, the East Operating Unit, North Operating Unit and South Operating Unit, formerly known as Southeast Operating Unit, Southwest Operating Unit, Northwest Operating Unit and Northeast Operating Unit of the Primary Care Business Unit (Sales) Division of the subject firm operate in the same capacity, together are part of a continuous operation and all experienced worker separations due to increased aggregate imports of pharmaceuticals.

The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers of the subject firm who were adversely affected by increased aggregate imports. The amended notice applicable to TA-W-80,490 is hereby issued as follows:

"All workers of Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation, Primary Care Business Unit (Sales) Division, East Operating Unit, North Operating Unit and South Operating Unit, formerly known as Southeast Operating Unit, Southwest operating Unit, Northwest Operating Unit and Northeast Operating Unit, including on-site leased workers from Inventiv Health, Ashfield Healthcare, and Pro Unlimited, East Hanover, New Jersey, and off-site workers of Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation, Primary Care Business Unit (Sales) Division, East Operating Unit in Illinois who report to East Hanover, New Jersey, who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after October 3, 2010, through January 6, 2014, and all workers in the group threatened with total or partial separation from employment on the date of certification through two years from the date of certification, are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Chapter 2 of Title II of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended."

Signed in Washington, DC, this 19th day of December, 2012.

**Del Min Amy Chen,**

*Certifying Officer, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.*

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