

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Employment and Training
Administration**

[TA-W-54,658]

**Whiting Manufacturing Company, Inc.,
Hazel Green, KY; Notice of Revised
Determination on Reconsideration
Regarding Eligibility To Apply for
Alternative Trade Adjustment
Assistance**

By letter dated May 17, 2004, a company official requested administrative reconsideration regarding Alternative Trade Adjustment Assistance (ATAA). The certification of Trade Adjustment Assistance eligibility was signed on April 23, 2004. The Department's notice was published in the **Federal Register** on June 2, 2004 (69 FR 31137).

The initial investigation determined that the workers possessed skills that are easily transferable.

A careful review of new and existing information revealed that a significant number of workers in the subject company are age fifty or older and that the workers possess skills that are not easily transferable. Competitive conditions within the industry are adverse.

Conclusion

After careful review of the additional facts obtained on reconsideration, I conclude that the requirements of Section 246 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, have been met for workers at the subject firm.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act, I make the following certification:

All workers of Whiting Manufacturing Company, Inc., Hazel Green, Kentucky, who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after April 1, 2003, through April 23, 2006, are eligible to apply for alternative trade adjustment assistance under Section 246 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed in Washington, DC this 7th day of June 2004.

Elliott S. Kushner,*Certifying Officer, Division of Trade
Adjustment Assistance.*

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Employment and Training
Administration****Proposed Information Collection
Request Submitted for Public
Comment and Recommendations;
Application for Alien Employment
Certification****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 and Training Administration (ETA) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension to the collection of information on the Application for Alien Employment Certification. A copy of the proposed Information Collection Request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the addressee section of this Notice.

DATES: Submit comments on or before August 30, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Comments and questions regarding the collection of information on Form ETA 750, Parts A and B, Application for Alien Employment Certification, should be directed to William L. Carlson, Chief, Division of Foreign Labor Certification, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room C-4312, Washington, DC 20210. Mr. Carlson may be reached at (202) 693-3010; this is not a toll-free number.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Melanie Shay, Team Leader, Permanent Labor Certification Program, Division of Foreign Labor Certification, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room C-4312, Washington, DC 20210. Ms. Shay may also be reached at (202) 693-3010.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Background**

Under Section 212(a)(5)(A) of the Immigration and Nationality Act

(INA)(8 U.S.C. 1182(a)(5)(A)), certain aliens may not obtain a visa for entrance into the United States in order to engage in permanent employment unless the Secretary of Labor has first certified to the Secretary of State and to the Attorney General that: (1) There are not sufficient U.S. workers who are able, willing, qualified and available at the time of application for a visa and admission into the United States and at the place where the alien is to perform the work; and (2) The employment of the alien will not adversely affect the wages and working conditions of U.S. workers similarly employed. Form ETA 750, Parts A and B, is the application form submitted by employers that forms the basis for a determination as to whether the Secretary shall provide such a certification. Form ETA 750, Part A, is also utilized to collect information that permits the Department to meet Federal responsibilities for administering two nonimmigrant programs: the H-2A and H-2B temporary labor certification programs. The H-2A temporary agricultural program establishes a means for agricultural employers who anticipate a shortage of domestic workers to bring nonimmigrant aliens to the U.S. to perform agricultural labor or services of a temporary or seasonal nature. The H-2B program establishes a means for employers to bring nonimmigrant aliens to the U.S. to perform nonagricultural work of a temporary or seasonal nature.

II. Desired Focus of Comments

Currently, the Department is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension to the collection of information on the Application for Alien Employment Certification.

The Department is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection 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 collections techniques or other forms of information, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submissions of responses.

A copy of the proposed ICR can be obtained by contacting the office listed above in the addressee section of this notice.

III. Current Actions

In order for the Department to meet its statutory responsibilities under the INA, there is a need for an extension of an existing collection of information pertaining to employers seeking to hire foreign workers for permanent or temporary employment in the U.S. by filing an Application for Alien Employment Certification on their behalf. There is an increase in burden due to a significant and sustained increase in the number of applications filed by employers each year.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

Title: Application for Alien Employment Certification.

OMB Number: 1205-0015.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; Businesses or other for-profit or not-for-profit institutions; Federal, State, Local, or Tribal governments; Farms.

Form: ETA 750, Parts A and B.

Total Respondents:

Permanent Program: 100,000.

H-2A Program: 4,000.

H-2B Program: 8,000.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Total Responses: 112,000.

Average Burden Hours Per Response: Permanent Program: 2.8.

H-2A Program: 1.

H-2B Program: 1.4.

Estimate Total Annual Burden Hours: 295,200.

Comments submitted in response to this Notice 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.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 21st day of June, 2004.

John R. Beverly, III,

Administrator, Office of National Programs.

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FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

June 23, 2004.

FEDERAL REGISTER CITATION OF PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENT: Vol. 69, No. 116, at 33,945, June 17, 2004.

TIME AND DATE: 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, June 29, 2004.

PLACE: The Richard V. Backley Hearing Room, 9th Floor, 601 New Jersey Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: The Commission will hear oral argument on an appeal of Twentymile Coal Company from the decision of an administrative law judge in *Secretary of Labor v. Twentymile Coal Company*, Docket No. WEST 2002-194. (Issues include whether the judge correctly determined that the Secretary of Labor properly cited Twentymile Coal Company for violations of mandatory safety standards committed by its independent contractor.)

The time and location for this oral argument have been changed. It was previously scheduled for 1 p.m. on June 29, 2004 at the U.S. Department of Labor Auditorium, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC. No earlier announcement of the change in time and location was possible.

Any person attending this oral argument who requires special accessibility features and/or auxiliary aids, such as sign language interpreters, must inform the Commission in advance of those needs. Subject to 29 CFR 2706.150(a)(3) and 2706.160(d).

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Jean Ellen (202) 434-9950/(202) 708-9300 for TDD Relay/1-800-877-8339 for toll free.

Jean H. Ellen,

Chief Docket Clerk.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Committee Management Renewals

The NSF management officials having responsibility for the advisory committees listed below have determined that renewing these groups for another two years is necessary and in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed upon the Director, National Science Foundation (NSF), by 42 USC 1861 *et seq.* This determination follows consultation with the Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration.

1115 Advisory Committee for Computer and Information Science and Engineering

13853 Advisory Committee for GPRA Performance Assessment

66 Advisory Committee for Mathematical and Physical Sciences

1171 Advisory Committee for Social Behavioral and Economic Sciences

1173 Committee on Equal Opportunities in Science and Engineering

1186 Proposal Review Panel for Astronomical Sciences

1189 Proposal Review Panel for Bioengineering and Environmental Systems

1190 Proposal Review Panel for Chemical and Transport Systems

1191 Proposal Review Panel for Chemistry

1205 Proposal Review Panel for Civil and Mechanical Systems

1207 Proposal Review Panel for Computer and Network Systems

1192 Proposal Review Panel for Computing & Communication Foundations

1194 Proposal Review Panel for Design Manufacture and Industrial Innovation

1196 Proposal Review Panel for Electrical and Communications Systems

59 Proposal Review Panel for Elementary Secondary & Informal Education

173 Proposal Review Panel for Engineering Education and Centers

1198 Proposal Review Panel for Experimental Programs to Stimulate Competitive Research

57 Proposal Review Panel for Graduate Education

1199 Proposal Review Panel for Human Resource Development

1200 Proposal Review Panel for Information and Intelligent Systems

1203 Proposal Review Panel for Materials Research

1204 Proposal Review Panel for Mathematical Sciences

1208 Proposal Review Panel for Physics

1209 Proposal Review Panel for Polar Programs

1210 Proposal Review Panel for Research Evaluation and Communication

1185 Proposal Review Panel for Shared Cyberinfrastructure

1214 Proposal Review Panel for Undergraduate Education

Effective date for renewal is July 1, 2004. For more information, please contact Susanne Bolton, NSF, at (703) 292-7488.

Dated: June 28, 2004.

Susanne Bolton,

Committee Management Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING MEETING: National Science Foundation, National Science