

**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

**Employment and Training Administration**

[TA-W-57,603]

**Cordis Corporation, Miami Lakes, FL; Notice of Revised Determination on Reconsideration**

By letter dated September 28, 2005, the subject company requested administrative reconsideration regarding the Department of Labor's Notice of Negative Determination Regarding Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance, applicable to the workers of the subject firm. Workers produce medical devices used for surgical procedures.

A negative determination regarding the subject facility was signed on August 25, 2005. The Department's notice will soon be published in the **Federal Register**. The negative determination was based on the findings that there was neither a significant decline in employment at the subject facility nor a threat of employment decline at the subject facility since the previous certification for the subject company (TA-W-52,275) expired on August 7, 2005.

During the reconsideration investigation, the Department was informed by the subject company that a significant proportion of workers have been/will be separated from the subject due to an ongoing shift of medical device production to Mexico.

In accordance with Section 246 the Trade Act of 1974 (26 U.S.C. 2813), as amended, the Department herein presents the results of its investigation regarding certification of eligibility to apply for Alternative Trade Adjustment Assistance (ATAA) for older workers.

In order for the Department to issue a certification of eligibility to apply for ATAA, the group eligibility requirements of Section 246 of the Trade Act must be met. The Department

has determined in this case that the requirements of Section 246 have been met.

A significant number of workers at the firm are age 50 or over and 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 a shift of production to Mexico of medical devices used in surgical procedures like or directly competitive with those produced at Cordis Corporation, Miami Lakes, Florida, contributed importantly to the declines in sales or production and to the total or partial separation of workers at the subject firm. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, I make the following certification:

All workers of Cordis Corporation, Miami Lakes, Florida who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after August 8, 2005 through two years from the date of this certification, are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974, and are eligible to apply for alternative trade adjustment assistance under Section 246 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed in Washington, DC this 4th day of October 2005.

**Elliott S. Kushner,**

*Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.*

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**Investigations Regarding Certifications of Eligibility To Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance**

Petitions have been filed with the Secretary of Labor under Section 221 (a)

of the Trade Act of 1974 ("the Act") and are identified in the Appendix to this notice. Upon receipt of these petitions, the Director of the Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance, Employment and Training Administration, has instituted investigations pursuant to Section 221 (a) of the Act.

The purpose of each of the investigations is to determine whether the workers are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Title II, Chapter 2, of the Act. The investigations will further relate, as appropriate, to the determination of the date on which total or partial separations began or threatened to begin and the subdivision of the firm involved.

The petitioners or any other persons showing a substantial interest in the subject matter of the investigations may request a public hearing, provided such request is filed in writing with the Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than October 23, 2005.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments regarding the subject matter of the investigations to the Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than October 23, 2005.

The petitions filed in this case are available for inspection at the Office of the Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room C-5311, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210.

Signed at Washington, DC this 6th day of October 2005.

**Terrance Clark,**

*Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.*

**APPENDIX**

[TAA petitions instituted between 9/19/05 and 9/23/05]

| TA-W  | Subject firm (petitioners)                    | Location          | Date of institution | Date of petition |
|-------|---|-------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 57979 | Eaton Corp. (Wkrs)                            | Marshall, MI      | 09/19/05            | 09/16/05         |
| 57980 | Collins Supply and Equipment Co., Inc. (Comp) | Scranton, PA      | 09/19/05            | 09/15/05         |
| 57981 | Arvin Merritor, Inc. (Comp)                   | Chickasha, OK     | 09/19/05            | 09/16/05         |
| 57982 | Powder Processing and Technology, LLC (Comp)  | Valparaiso, IN    | 09/19/05            | 09/16/05         |
| 57983 | SKF Sealing Solutions (Comp)                  | Springfield, SD   | 09/20/05            | 09/16/05         |
| 57984 | Sipex Corporation (Comp)                      | Milpitas, CA      | 09/20/05            | 09/19/05         |
| 57985 | Carroll Leather (Comp)                        | El Paso, TX       | 09/20/05            | 09/19/05         |
| 57986 | Bravo Sports (State)                          | Cypress, CA       | 09/20/05            | 09/19/05         |
| 57987 | Sun Chemical (Wkrs)                           | Cincinnati, OH    | 09/20/05            | 09/12/05         |
| 57988 | Express Point Tech (State)                    | Golden Valley, MN | 09/20/05            | 09/19/05         |
| 57989 | Wasley Products, Inc. (Comp)                  | Plainville, CT    | 09/20/05            | 09/16/05         |
| 57990 | Sun Look Garment, Inc. (Wkrs)                 | San Francisco, CA | 09/21/05            | 09/20/05         |