



Public Notice

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USCIS TO ACCEPT DOL PRINTOUTS AS TEMPORARY PROOF OF LABOR CERTIFICATION

Washington, D.C. – U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) announced today that USCIS Service Centers will immediately begin accepting Department of Labor (DOL) printouts establishing the issuance of a labor certification (either a Form ETA-750 or a Form 9089) along with EB-2 (employment-based immigrant) petitions. USCIS will continue to accept the printout through September 30, 2005.

This measure assists those petitioners whose labor certifications are certified prior to October 1, 2005 (according to the DOL printout) but who have not yet received the certified labor certification in the mail. Petitioners who file using a printout will be required to update their petitions with a labor certification that was certified prior to October 1, 2005 no later than October 31, 2005. Petitioners updating their cases with an approved original labor certification should reference in correspondence the I-140 (Immigrant Petition for Alien Worker) petition receipt number.

Petitioners should not file an EB-2 employment-based immigrant petition that requires a labor certification without evidence, in the form of a printout or the actual certified labor certification. To avoid any processing delay, petitioners who have already received a certified labor certification, should file their EB-2 employment-based immigrant petition with that approved certification.

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On March 1, 2003, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services became one of three legacy INS components to join the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. USCIS is charged with fundamentally transforming and improving the delivery of immigration and citizenship services, while enhancing the integrity of our nation's security.