Certification Regarding Eligibility
To Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance And
Alternative Trade Adjustment Assistance

In accordance with Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (19 USC 2273), the Department of Labor herein presents the results of an investigation regarding certification of eligibility to apply for worker adjustment assistance.

In order to make an affirmative determination and issue a certification of eligibility to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance, the group eligibility requirements in either paragraph (a)(2)(A) or (a)(2)(B) of Section 222 of the Trade Act must be met. It is determined in this case that the requirements of (a)(2)(B) of Section 222 have been met.

The investigation was initiated on April 9, 2007 in response to a petition filed by the State of Connecticut on behalf of workers of Linium Staffing LLC, d/b/a Lauren Staffing Services, working onsite at ICU Medical Inc., Vernon, Connecticut. The workers are engaged in the production of Punctur-Guard medical safety devices.
The investigation revealed that workers of Linium Staffing LLC, d/b/a Lauren Staffing Services were contracted to produce Punctur-Guard medical safety devices on-site at ICU Medical Inc., Vernon, Connecticut. Workers of ICU Medical Inc., Vernon, Connecticut, are certified eligible to apply for trade adjustment assistance under petition number TA-W-57,915, which expires on October 21, 2007.

The investigation revealed that the decline in employment of workers of Linium Staffing LLC, d/b/a Lauren Staffing Services working at the Punctur-Guard medical safety device production facility is directly related to the shift in production of Punctur-Guard medical safety devices from ICU Medical Inc., Vernon, Connecticut to Mexico.

In addition, in accordance with Section 246 the Trade Act of 1974 (26 USC 2813), as amended, the Department of Labor herein presents the results of its investigation regarding certification of eligibility to apply for alternative trade adjustment assistance (ATAA) for older workers.

Since the workers of ICU Medical Inc., Vernon, Connecticut, are certified eligible to apply for ATAA, the Department is extending that eligibility to the employees of Linium Staffing LLC, d/b/a Lauren Staffing Services working at the ICU Medical Inc. Punctur-Guard medical safety device production facility in
Conclusion

After careful review of the facts obtained in the investigation, I conclude that there was a shift of production to Mexico of Punctur-Guard medical safety devices like or directly competitive with those produced by ICU Medical Inc., Vernon, Connecticut. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, I make the following certification:

"All workers of Linium Staffing LLC, d/b/a Lauren Staffing Services, working onsite at ICU Medical Inc., Vernon, Connecticut, who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after April 5, 2006, through two years from the date of certification, are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974, and are also eligible to apply for alternative trade adjustment assistance under Section 246 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed in Washington, D.C. this 12th day of April, 2007.

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