



FORMER UNITED STEEL EMPLOYEES ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR TRADE ACT BENEFITS

WETHERSFIELD – The Connecticut Department of Labor has certified former employees of United Steel as eligible to apply for federal Trade Adjustment Assistance. The East Hartford facility employees who produced structural steel and miscellaneous metals, were certified on September 27, 2020.

All affected employees will receive an eligibility notice by mail that explains how to apply for benefits. Employees eligible to apply for federal benefits are those who are or will be totally or partially separated from employment due to lack of work on or after March 10, 2019 and on or before September 27, 2022.

Available assistance may include training; income support in the form of Trade Readjustment Allowances; and job search and relocation allowances for qualified workers who seek or obtain employment outside their normal commuting areas.

Individuals 50 years of age and older can return to lower-paying work may be eligible to receive Reemployment Trade Adjustment Assistance wage subsidies. The agency's American Job Centers are currently closed due to COVI-19, but individuals with questions regarding the TAA certification can speak with a Connecticut Department of Labor representative by telephone.

Individuals having questions about the certification or the Trade Act can go the Department of Labor's Trade Act web page at <https://www.ctdol.state.ct.us/TradeAct/>

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