

negative determination regarding workers' eligibility to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) applicable to workers and former workers of Consolidated Glass and Mirror Corporation, a Subsidiary of Guardian Industries Corporation, Galax, Virginia (subject firm). The determination was issued on August 5, 2010. The Department's Notice of Determination was published in the **Federal Register** on August 23, 2010 (75 FR 51849). Workers are engaged in employment related to the production of laminated glass products.

The negative determination was based on the findings that the subject firm did not, during the period under investigation, shift to a foreign country production of articles like or directly competitive with those produced by the workers or acquire these articles from a foreign country; that the workers' separation, or threat of separation, was not related to any increase in imports of like or directly competitive articles; and that the workers did not produce an article that was directly used in the production of an article or the supply of service by a firm that employed a worker group that is eligible to apply for TAA based on the aforementioned article or service.

In the request for reconsideration, the petitioners provided additional information pertaining to subject firm customers that employ workers who are eligible to apply for TAA.

The Department has carefully reviewed the request for reconsideration and the existing record, and has determined that the Department will conduct further investigation to determine if the petitioning workers meet the eligibility requirements of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended.

Conclusion

After careful review of the application, I conclude that the claim is of sufficient weight to justify reconsideration of the U.S. Department of Labor's prior decision. The application is, therefore, granted.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 21st day of September 2010.

Del Min Amy Chen

Certifying Officer, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

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Compass Group USA, Inc. Canteen: Webster City, Iowa; Notice of Affirmative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration

By application dated July 9, 2010, a petitioner requested administrative reconsideration of the negative determination regarding workers' eligibility to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) applicable to workers and former workers of the subject firm. The determination was signed on May 24, 2010, and the Notice of Determination was published in the **Federal Register** on June 16, 2010 (75 FR 34175).

The initial investigation resulted in a negative determination based on the findings that the subject firm did not, during the investigation period, shift to a foreign country services like or directly competitive with the cafeteria services or vending machine services supplied by the workers or acquire from a foreign country services like or directly competitive with the cafeteria services or vending machine services supplied by the workers; that the workers' separation, or threat of separation, was not related to any increase in imports of like or directly competitive food services or a shift in service/acquisition of such food services abroad, and that the workers did not supply a service that was directly used in the production of an article or the supply of service by a firm that employed a worker group that is eligible to apply for TAA based on the aforementioned article or service.

The request for reconsideration stated that the subject workers provide "food services in direct support of Electrolux" and alleges that the shift of production by Electrolux to Mexico resulted in a shift to Mexico in the supply of food service services. The request also alleges that, in the case of adversely-affected secondary workers, the term "value-added" applies only to production process and does not apply to services.

The Department has carefully reviewed the request for reconsideration and the existing record, and has determined that the Department will conduct further investigation to determine if the workers meet the eligibility requirements of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended.

Conclusion

After careful review of the application, I conclude that the claim is

of sufficient weight to justify reconsideration of the U.S. Department of Labor's prior decision. The application is, therefore, granted.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 21st day of September 2010.

Del Min Amy Chen,

Certifying Officer, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Bureau of Labor Statistics

Comment Request

ACTION: Notice of solicitation of comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor through the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) is responsible for the development and publication of occupational employment projections and related career information, including the education and training requirements for detailed occupations. The BLS issued a **Federal Register** notice on November 18, 2008 (Volume 73, Number 223), requesting comments on a proposed education and training system. On May 26, 2009, a notice was issued on the BLS Web site announcing that the BLS would continue to refine the system to classify occupations into education and training categories for use in 2010, and provide an experimental dataset on the new system. The new education and training system has been developed and the experimental dataset is ready for users to provide feedback.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice on or before November 30, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Teri Morisi, Office of Occupational Statistics and Employment Projections, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Room 2135, 2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE., Washington, DC 20212 or by *e-mail* to: educfeedback@bls.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Teri Morisi, Office of Occupational Statistics and Employment Projections, Bureau of Labor Statistics, telephone number 202-691-6501, or by *e-mail* at educfeedback@bls.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Department of Labor through the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) is responsible for the development and publication of occupational

employment projections and related career information, including the education and training requirements for detailed occupations. The BLS issued a **Federal Register** notice on November 18, 2008 (Volume 73, Number 223), requesting comments on a proposed education and training system. On May 26, 2009, a notice was issued on the BLS Web site announcing that the BLS would continue to refine the system to classify occupations into education and training categories for use in 2010, and provide an experimental dataset on the new system. The new education and training system has been developed and the experimental dataset is ready for users to provide feedback.

II. Current Action

The objective of the new system is to present a more complete picture of the education and training needed for entry into a given occupation and to become competent at performing the occupation. Its major features are:

- *Typical Entry-Level Education.* An education level assignment that represents the typical entry-level requirement for each occupation independent of training.
- *Previous Work Experience in a Related Occupation.* An assignment to indicate if previous work experience in a related occupation is commonly deemed necessary by employers for entry into the occupation, or is a

commonly accepted substitute for formal types of training.

- *State Licensing.* Information on whether one or more States regulate the occupation through licensure.
- *Typical On-the-Job Training Needed to Attain Competency in the Occupation.* An assignment for the typical on-the-job training needed to attain competency in the occupation.

The typical entry level education, previous work experience, and State licensing categories represent “pre-employment” qualifications, and the typical training needed to attain competency in the occupation is attained once the worker is employed. The new system is depicted in Table 1.

TABLE 1—PROPOSED EDUCATION AND TRAINING CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM LAYOUT

Pre-employment			During employment
Typical entry level education	Previous work experience in a related occupation	State licensing	Typical on-the-job training needed to attain competency in the occupation
Doctoral or professional degree	Less than 1 year	Yes or No	Apprenticeship.
Master's degree	1–5 years .....	.....	Internship/residency.
Bachelor's degree	More than 5 years .....	.....	Short-term on-the-job training.
Associate's degree	None .....	.....	Moderate-term on-the-job training.
Postsecondary non-degree award .....	.....	.....	Long-term on-the-job training.
Some college, no degree .....	.....	.....	None.
High school diploma or equivalent.			
Less than high school.			

The proposed system differs from the current system in a number of ways. The current system assigns occupations to a single education or training category that describes the most significant source of education or training. The proposed system breaks this out into three dimensions: Entry level education, previous work experience, and typical training. A new dimension is added that provides information on State licensing. In addition, the term “most significant source of education or training” as used in the current system has been replaced in favor of clearly defining the categories as needed either to enter the occupation (typical education level, previous work experience, and State licensing) or to attain competency once employed in the occupation (typical on-the-job training).

With the proposed system, the education level assignment will be determined based on educational attainment data from the *American Community Survey* (ACS); data on occupational skills, knowledge, work activities, and education and job training from the *Occupational Information Network* (O*NET); and BLS analysts’ analytical judgment. ACS data aggregated by age can be a useful

resource; in particular, ACS data on educational attainment for persons aged 18–29 can serve as a guide for assigning an entry-level educational attainment category; for occupations that have high levels of educational requirements, older cohorts may be more appropriate to examine. O*NET also serves as a source of information to assign occupations to work experience and typical training categories. BLS analysts also obtain information for assignments from employers, workers in the occupation, training experts, and representatives of professional and trade associations and unions.

The experimental dataset contains 106 occupations selected from all major groups in the 2000 Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system, and has representation from all assignments within the education and training categories. Access the experimental dataset and definitions for the education and training classifications at the following Internet address: http://www.bls.gov/emp/ep_propedtrain.htm.

III. Desired Focus of Comments

Comments and recommendations are requested from the public on the

following aspects of the proposed education and training system:

- The clarity of the new system of assigning education, previous work experience, State licensing, and on-the-job training categories to each occupation.
- The clarity of the proposed education categories.
- The suitability of the new system to meet the needs of customers.
- The understanding of how the new system is to be used.
- The usefulness of the new integrated system compared to the old ones.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 24th day of September 2010.

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