

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training
Administration

[TA-W-34,700]

Willamette Industries Saginaw Lam
Plant Saginaw, Oregon; Notice of
Revised Determination on
Reconsideration

On August 26, 1998, the Department issued an Affirmative Determination Regarding Application on Reconsideration applicable to workers and former workers of the subject firm. The notice was published in the **Federal Register** on September 4, 1998 (63 FR 47328).

The Department initially denied TAA to workers of Willamette Industries, Saginaw Lam Plant, Saginaw, Oregon, producing laminated beams because the "contributed importantly" group eligibility requirement of Section 222(3) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, was not met.

On reconsideration, the Department conducted further survey analysis of major customers of Willamette Industries, Saginaw Lam Plant. The survey revealed that a former major customer reduced purchases of laminated beams from the Saginaw plant and increased purchases of imports of articles directly competitive to the laminated beams produced at the Saginaw plant.

Conclusion

After careful review of the additional facts obtained on reconsideration, I conclude that increased imports of articles like or directly competitive with laminated beams, contributed importantly to the declines in sales or production and to the total or partial separation of workers of Willamette Industries, Saginaw Lam Plant. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, I make the following certification:

"All workers of Willamette Industries, Saginaw Lam Plant, Saginaw, Oregon who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after June 19, 1997 are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974."

Signed in Washington, DC this 28th day of September 1998.

Grant D. Beale,

Acting Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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[NAFTA-02517]

W.T.D. Industries Central Saw Division,
Corvallis, OR; Notice of Termination of
Investigation

Pursuant to Title V of the North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act and in accordance with Section 250(a), Subchapter D, Chapter 2, Title II of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (19 USC 2331), an investigation was initiated on July 20, 1998, on behalf of a worker at W.T.D. Industries, Central Saw Division, Corvallis, Oregon.

During the course of the investigation it was revealed that the workers' were covered under an existing certification, NAFTA-02565. Therefore, further investigation would serve no purpose and the investigation has been terminated.

Signed in Washington, DC this 2nd day of October 1998.

Grant D. Beale,

Acting Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment Standards Administration
Wage and Hour DivisionMinimum Wages for Federal and
Federally Assisted Construction;
General Wage Determination Decisions

General wage determination decisions of the Secretary of Labor are issued in accordance with applicable law and are based on the information obtained by the Department of Labor from its study of local wage conditions and data made available from other sources. They specify the basic hourly wage rates and fringe benefits which are determined to be prevailing for the described classes of laborers and mechanics employed on construction projects of a similar character and in the localities specified therein.

The determinations in these decisions of prevailing rates and fringe benefits have been made in accordance with 29 CFR Part 1, by authority of the Secretary of Labor pursuant to the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act of March 3, 1931, as amended (46 Stat. 1494, as amended, 40 U.S.C. 276a) and of other Federal statutes referred to in 29 CFR Part 1, Appendix, as well as such additional

statutes as may from time to time be enacted containing provisions for the payment of wages determined to be prevailing by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act. The prevailing rates and fringe benefits determined in these decisions shall, in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing statutes, constitute the minimum wages payable on Federal and federally assisted construction projects to laborers and mechanics of the specified classes engaged on contract work of the character and in the localities described therein.

Good cause is hereby found for not utilizing notice and public comment procedure thereon prior to the issuance of these determinations as prescribed in 5 U.S.C. 553 and not providing for delay in the effective date as prescribed in that section, because the necessity to issue current construction industry wage determinations frequently and in large volume causes procedures to be impractical and contrary to the public interest.

General wage determination decisions, and modifications and supersedes decisions thereto, contain no expiration dates and are effective from their date of notice in the **Federal Register**, or on the date written notice is received by the agency, whichever is earlier. These decisions are to be used in accordance with the provisions of 29 CFR Parts 1 and 5. Accordingly, the applicable decision, together with any modifications issued, must be made a part of every contract for performance of the described work within the geographic area indicated as required by an applicable Federal prevailing wage law and 29 CFR Part 5. The wage rates and fringe benefits, notice of which is published herein, and which are contained in the Government Printing Office (GPO) document entitled "General Wage Determinations Issued Under The Davis-Bacon And Related Acts," shall be the minimum paid by contractors and subcontractors to laborers and mechanics.

Any person, organization, or governmental agency having an interest in the rates determined as prevailing is encouraged to submit wage rate and fringe benefit information for consideration by the Department. Further information and self-explanatory forms for the purpose of submitting this data may be obtained by writing to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Standards Administration, Wage and Hour Division, Division of Wage Determinations, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room S-3014, Washington, DC 20210.