

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Employment and Training
Administration****Workforce Investment Act of 1998
(WIA); Notice of Incentive Funding
Availability for Program Year (PY) 2000
Performance****AGENCY:** Employment and Training
Administration (ETA), Labor.**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, in collaboration with the Department of Education, announces that 12 States are eligible to apply for Workforce Investment Act (WIA) (Pub. L. 105–220, 29 U.S.C. 2801 *et seq.*) incentive awards under the WIA Regulations.

DATES: The 12 eligible States must submit their applications for incentive funding to the Department of Labor by June 17, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Submit applications to the Employment and Training Administration, Performance Accountability Task Force, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Room N–4470, Washington, DC 20210, Attention: Christine Kulick, 202–693–3937 (phone), 202–693–3113 (fax), e-mail: ckulick@doleta.gov. Please be advised that mail delivery in the Washington, DC area has been inconsistent because of concerns about anthrax contamination. States are encouraged to submit applications via e-mail.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Performance Accountability Task Force: Christine Kulick (phone: 202–693–3937 or e-mail: ckulick@doleta.gov) or Jim Aaron (phone: 202–693–2814 or e-mail: jaaron@doleta.gov). (These are not toll-free numbers.) Information may also be found at the *Web site*—<http://usworkforce.org>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: After the first year of full implementation of the Workforce Investment Act across the country, 12 States (see list below) have qualified to receive a share of the \$27.6 million available for incentive grant awards under WIA section 503. These funds are available to the States through June 30, 2004, to support innovative workforce development and education activities that are authorized under title

I or title II (the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (AEFLA)) of WIA, or under the Perkins Act (Pub. L. 105–332, 20 U.S.C. 2301 *et seq.*)

In order to qualify for a grant award, a State must have exceeded performance levels, agreed to by the Secretaries, Governor, and State Education Officer, for outcomes in WIA title I, adult education (AEFLA), and vocational education (Perkins Act) programs. The goals included placement after training, retention in employment, and improvement in literacy levels, among other measures. After review of the performance data submitted by States to the Department of Labor and to the Department of Education, each Department determined which States would qualify for incentives for its program(s). (See below for a list of the States that qualified under all three programs.) These lists of eligible States were compared, and States that qualified under all three programs are eligible to receive an incentive grant award. The amount that each State is eligible to receive was determined by the Department of Labor and the Department of Education and is based on WIA section 503(c) (20 U.S.C. 9273(c)) and is proportional to the total funding received by these States for the three programs.

The States eligible to apply for incentive grant awards, and the amounts they are eligible to receive, are listed below:

State	Amount of award
1. Connecticut	\$ 1,652,500
2. Florida	\$ 3,000,000
3. Idaho	\$ 975,500
4. Illinois	\$ 3,000,000
5. Indiana	\$ 2,896,500
6. Kentucky	\$ 3,000,000
7. Maine	\$ 819,700
8. Massachusetts	\$ 2,887,400
9. Michigan	\$ 3,000,000
10. North Dakota	\$ 750,000
11. Texas	\$ 3,000,000
12. Wisconsin	\$2,599,000

These eligible States must submit their applications for incentive funding to the Department of Labor by June 17, 2002. As set forth in the provisions of WIA section 503(b)(2) (20 U.S.C. 9273(b)(2)), 20 CFR 666.220(b) and

Training and Employment Guidance Letter (TEGL) No. 20–01, Application Process for Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Section 503 Incentive Grants, Program Year 2000 Performance, which is available at <http://usworkforce.org>, the application must include assurances that:

A. The legislature of the State was consulted with respect to the development of the application.

B. The application was approved by the Governor, the eligible agency for adult education (as defined in section 203(4) of WIA (20 U.S.C. 9202(4))) and the State agency responsible for vocational and technical education programs (as defined in section 3(9) of Perkins III (20 U.S.C. 2302(9))).

C. The State and the eligible agency, as appropriate, exceeded the State adjusted levels of performance for WIA title I, the State adjusted levels of performance for the AEFLA, and the performance levels established for Perkins Act programs.

In addition, States are requested to provide a description of the planned use of incentive grants as part of the application process, to ensure that the State's planned activities are innovative and are otherwise authorized under the WIA title I, the AEFLA, and/or the Perkins Act as amended, as required by WIA Section 503(a). TEGL No. 20–01 provides the specific application process that States must follow to apply for these funds.

The applications may take the form of a letter from the Governor, or designee, to the Assistant Secretary of Labor, Emily Stover DeRocco, Attention: Christine Kulick, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Room N–4470, Washington, DC 20210. In order to expedite the application process, States are encouraged to submit their applications electronically to Christine Kulick at ckulick@doleta.gov. The States will receive their incentive awards by June 30, 2002.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 26th day of April, 2002.

Emily Stover DeRocco,

Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training.

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State	PY 2000 Performance Qualifies State for Incentives			
	WIA (title I)	AEFLA (Adult Education)	Perkins Act (Vocational Education)	WIA title I; AEFLA; Perkins Act
1. Alabama		X		
2. Alaska		X	X	
3. Arizona		X	X	
4. Arkansas		X		
5. California		X	X	
6. Colorado	X	X		
7. Connecticut	X	X	X	X
8. District of Columbia		X	X	
9. Delaware		X		
10. Florida	X	X	X	X
11. Georgia		X	X	
12. Hawaii		X	X	
13. Idaho	X	X	X	X
14. Illinois	X	X	X	X
15. Indiana	X	X	X	X
16. Iowa			X	
17. Kansas		X		
18. Kentucky	X	X	X	X
19. Louisiana		X		
20. Maine	X	X	X	X
21. Maryland		X	X	
22. Massachusetts	X	X	X	X
23. Michigan	X	X	X	X
24. Minnesota			X	
25. Mississippi			X	
26. Missouri		X		
27. Montana		X	X	
28. Nebraska		X		
29. Nevada	X	X		
30. New Hampshire	X	X		
31. New Jersey		X	X	
32. New Mexico		X		
33. New York		X	X	
34. North Carolina		X	X	
35. North Dakota	X	X	X	X
36. Ohio		X	X	
37. Oklahoma		X		
38. Oregon	X		X	
39. Pennsylvania		X	X	
40. Puerto Rico			X	
41. Rhode Island	X	X		
42. South Carolina		X	X	
43. South Dakota		X	X	
44. Tennessee		X	X	
45. Texas	X	X	X	X
46. Utah		X	X	
47. Vermont			X	
48. Virginia		X	X	
49. Washington		X	X	
50. West Virginia		X		
51. Wisconsin	X	X	X	X
52. Wyoming		X	X	

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Employment and Training Administration**

[NAFTA-5218 and TA-W-39,831, TA-W-39,831A]

Chipman Union, Inc., Union Point, Georgia, Chipman Union, Inc., Bryan Scott Plant, Greensboro, GA; Notice of Revised Determination on Reconsideration

By letter dated January 16, 2002, the company, requested administrative reconsideration of the Department's denial of North American Free Trade Agreement-Transitional Adjustment Assistance (NAFTA-TAA) and Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA), applicable to workers of Chipman Union, Inc., Union Point, Georgia. The denial notice applicable to NAFTA-05218 was signed on December 17, 2001 and the denial notices for TA-W-39,831 and TA-W-39,831A were signed on December 14, 2001. The notices were published in the **Federal Register** on January 11, 2002, NAFTA-5218 (67 FR 1513); for TA-W-39,831 and TA-W-39,831A (67 FR 1508).

The workers of Chipman Union, Inc., Union Point, Georgia (NAFTA-5218) engaged in activities related to the production of socks were denied NAFTA-TAA because criteria (3) and (4) of the group eligibility requirements of paragraph (a)(1) of section 250 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, were not met. A survey of customers indicated that increased imports from Canada and Mexico did not contribute importantly to worker separations. The subject firm did not import socks from Canada or Mexico during the relevant period. There was no shift in the production of socks from the subject firm to Canada or Mexico during the relevant period.

The workers of Chipman Union, Inc., Union Point, Georgia (TA-W-39-831) and Chipman Union, Inc., Bryan Scott Plant, Greensboro, Georgia (TA-W-39-831A) were denied TAA because criterion (3) of the group eligibility requirements of section 222 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, was not met. Imports did not contribute importantly to the worker separations during the relevant period.

The request for reconsideration indicates that the company lost a license agreement, which accounted for a major portion of their sales. The request further indicated that the company that

was awarded the new license, imported the socks.

The Department contacted the company which was awarded the new license agreement and confirmed that the company that was awarded the license began importing the socks from Canada to the subject firm's domestic customers during the relevant period.

Conclusion

After careful consideration of the new facts obtained on reconsideration, it is concluded that increased imports of socks, including imports from Canada, contributed importantly to the decline in production and to the total or partial separation of workers at Chipman Union, Inc., Union Point, Georgia (NAFTA-5218) and Chipman Union, Inc., Union Point, Georgia (TA-W-39,831) and Chipman Union, Inc., Bryan Scott Plant, Greensboro, Georgia (TA-W-39,831A). In accordance with the provisions of the Act, I make the following revised determination:

"All workers at Chipman Union, Inc., Union Point, Georgia (NAFTA-5218), who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after August 16, 2000, through two years from the date of certification, are eligible to apply for NAFTA-TAA under section 250 of the Trade Act of 1974;" and

"All workers at Chipman Union, Inc., Union Point, Georgia (TA-W-39,831) and Chipman Union, Inc., Bryan Scott Plant, Greensboro, Georgia (TA-W-39,831A), who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after August 6, 2000, through two years from the date of certification, are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed at Washington, DC this 4th day of April, 2002.

Edward A. Tomchick,

Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Occupational Safety and Health Administration**

[Docket No. NACE-2002-1]

National Advisory Committee on Ergonomics

AGENCY: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Department of Labor.

ACTION: Notice of intent to establish a National Advisory Committee on Ergonomics; request for nominations

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Labor intends to establish a Committee to advise the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health (Assistant Secretary) on ergonomic guidelines, research, and outreach, and assistance. The Committee will consist of not more than 15 members who will be selected based upon their expertise or experience with ergonomic issues. OSHA invites interested parties to submit nominations for membership on the Committee.

DATES: Nominations for membership (whether hard copy, electronic mail, or facsimile) must be received by June 17, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Nominations may be submitted in hard copy, electronic mail, or facsimile.

Submitting nominations in hard copy: Nominations for membership on the Committee may be hand-delivered, or sent by Express Mail or other overnight delivery service, to: U.S. Department of Labor, OSHA Docket Office, Docket NACE-2002-1, Room N-2625, 200 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20210, Telephone: (202) 693-2350.

Submitting nominations electronically: Nominations for membership on the Committee may be sent electronically from the OSHA website at <http://ecomments.osha.gov>. Nominations may also be faxed to the OSHA Docket Office at (202) 693-1648.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Bonnie Friedman, OSHA, Office of Public Affairs, Rm. N-3647, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, D.C. 20210; Telephone: (202) 693-1999.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Background**

On April 4, 2002, the Secretary of Labor announced a comprehensive approach to ergonomics. This approach consists of four prongs: Guidelines; Enforcement; Outreach and Assistance; and Research. In order for this comprehensive approach to be successful, the Secretary believes it is necessary and in the public interest to establish a National Advisory Committee on Ergonomics. The Committee will advise the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health (Assistant Secretary) on ergonomic guidelines, research, and outreach and assistance. Specifically, the Assistant Secretary intends to seek advice from the Committee in the following areas: (1) Information related to various industry or task-specific guidelines; (2) identification of gaps in the existing research based related to applying ergonomic principles to the