

threatened total or partial separation of a significant number or proportion of the workers of such firm or subdivision.

Petitioners meeting these eligibility requirements will be certified as eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Title II, Chapter 2, of the Act in accordance with the provisions of Subpart B of 29 CFR Part 90. The investigations will further relate, as appropriate, to the determination of the date on which total or partial separations began or threatened to begin and the subdivision of the firm involved.

Pursuant to 29 CFR 90.13, the petitioners or any other persons showing a substantial interest in the subject matter of the investigations may request a public hearing, provided such request is filed in writing with the Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than October 1, 1981.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments regarding the subject matter of the investigations to the Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than October 1, 1981.

The petitions filed in this case are available for inspection at the office of the Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 601 D Street, NW., Washington, D.C. 20215.

Signed at Washington, D.C. this 14th day of September 1981.

Marvin M. Fooks,

Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

PLAINTIFF'S EXHIBIT

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Appendix

Petitioner: Union/workers or former workers of—	Location	Date received	Date of petition	Petition No.	Articles
American Optical Corporation (workers)	Brattleboro, VT	9/9/81	9/2/81	TA-W-12,963	Eye-glass and safety lenses, frames, regular prescription lenses and frames and sunglasses.
Bayview Cedar Products, Inc. (workers)	Hoquiam, Wash.	9/10/81	8/27/81	TA-W-12,964	Cedar shakes and shingles.
Betex Corp. (ACTWU)	Paterson, N.J.	9/8/81	8/30/81	TA-W-12,965	Printing and dyeing of fabrics.
Brewster Finishing Co., Inc. (ACTWU)	Paterson, N.J.	9/8/81	8/30/81	TA-W-12,966	Printing and dyeing of fabrics.
(The) Bunker Hill Co. (USWA)	Kellogg, Idaho	9/9/81	9/2/81	TA-W-12,967	Lead, zinc, silver and byproducts, mines and smelter.
Calins Industries, Inc. (workers)	Groenheid, Tenn.	9/9/81	9/4/81	TA-W-12,968	Aluminum electrolytic and film electric capacitors.
Chrysler Learning, Inc. (workers)	Highland Park, Mich.	8/10/81	7/29/81	TA-W-12,969	Training of hourly personnel for placement within Chrysler.
ESS, Incorporated (company)	Sacramento, Calif.	9/8/81	9/3/81	TA-W-12,970	Electronic and acoustic equipment.
Glass City Tool & Die Co., Inc. (workers)	Toledo, Ohio	9/10/81	9/1/81	TA-W-12,971	Special machines, tools, dies and fixtures.
Loungewear By Georges Keyloun (workers)	New York, N.Y.	8/27/81	8/24/81	TA-W-12,972	Pleated catkins.
Mesta Machine Co. (USWA)	West Homestead, Pa.	9/9/81	9/2/81	TA-W-12,973	Heavy industrial machinery, foundry and forgo shop.

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Occupational Safety and Health Administration

Oregon State Standards; Approval

1. *Background.* Part 1953 of Title 29, Code of Federal Regulations prescribes procedures under Section 18 of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (hereinafter called the Act) by which the Regional Administrator for Occupational Safety and Health (hereinafter called Regional Administrator) under a delegation of authority from the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health (hereinafter called the Assistant Secretary) (29 CFR 1953.4) will review and approve standards promulgated pursuant to a State plan which has been approved in accordance with Section 18(c) of the Act and 29 CFR Part 1902. On December 28, 1972, notice was published in the Federal Register (37 FR 28628) of the approval of the Oregon plan and the adoption of Subpart D to Part 1952 containing the decision. The Notice of Approval of Revised Developmental Schedule was further published on April 1, 1974 in the Federal Register.

The Oregon plan provides for the adoption of Federal standards as State

standards after comments and/or public hearing. Section 1952.108 of Subpart D sets forth the State's schedule for the adoption of Federal standards.

In response to Federal standards changes, the State originally submitted standards at least as effective as 29 CFR 1910.93(a), Asbestos, as published in the Federal Register (36 FR 10503) on May 29, 1971. The Notice of Approval of State standards was published in the Federal Register (40 FR 50583) on October 30, 1975.

Additional Federal standards concerning Asbestos Recordkeeping Requirements, 29 CFR 1910.1001, were published in the Federal Register (41 FR 11504) on March 19, 1976. The State submitted identical standards and received approval in the Federal Register (43 FR 15806) on April 14, 1978.

By letter dated May 8, 1980 from Darrel D. Douglas, Administrator, Accident Prevention Division, Workers' Compensation Department, to James W. Lake, Regional Administrator, and incorporated as part of the plan, the State submitted a standard comparable to 29 CFR 1910.19(a), Special Provisions for Air Contaminants, Asbestos, as published in the Federal Register (43 FR 28473) on June 30, 1978, and included this change in their Asbestos Standard, OAR 437-115-004. Also, at that time, minor editorial changes and an amendment clarifying medical

examination requirements were made to the State standard comparable to 1910.1001, Asbestos. These standards, which are contained in OAR 437, Division 115, Oregon Occupational Safety and Health Code, were promulgated by the State after a notice was published in the Secretary of State's Administrative Rules Bulletin on March 15, 1980 pursuant to ORS Chapter 183.335. No written comments or requests for a public hearing were received. The rule was adopted on April 17, 1980 and became effective June 1, 1980.

2. *Decision.* Having reviewed the State submission in comparison with the Federal standards it has been determined that the State standards continue to be at least as effective as the comparable Federal standards. The major differences are that the State standard has included rule 115-055(b), clarifying when medical examinations are required in response to OSHA Program Directive CPL 2-2.21 and has added minor editorial changes. None of the changes make the State standards less effective and, accordingly, they should be approved.

3. *Location of supplement for inspection and copying.* A copy of the standard supplement, along with the approved plan, may be inspected and copied during normal business hours at the following locations: Office of the

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Regional Administrator, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Room 6003, Federal Office Building, 909 First Avenue, Seattle, Washington 98174; Workers' Compensation Department, Labor and Industries Building, Salem, Oregon 97310; and the Technical Data Center, Room N2349R, New Department of Labor Building, 3rd and Constitution Avenues, Washington, D.C. 20210.

4. *Public participation.* Under 29 CFR 1953.2(c), the Assistant Secretary may prescribe alternative procedures to expedite the review process or for other good cause which may be consistent with applicable laws. The Assistant Secretary finds that good cause exists for not publishing the supplement to the Oregon plan as a proposed change and making the Regional Administrator's approval effective upon publication for the following reason:

The standards were adopted in accordance with the procedural requirements of State law and further participation would be unnecessary.

This decision is effective September 22, 1981.

(Sec. 18, Pub. L. 91-598, 84 Stat. 1608 (29 U.S.C. 667))

Signed at Seattle, Washington this 18th day of March, 1981.

James W. Lake,
Regional Administrator.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Format for Future Requests for Public Comment Regarding Determinations

In order to provide interested parties with an opportunity to respond to comments received by this Office regarding policy issues to be considered by the President in reviewing determinations of the U.S. International Trade Commission under section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative will use the following format for the solicitation for public comments.

The new format will reduce the time period for submission of comments on foreign or domestic policy issues from four weeks to three. Copies of comments received will then be made available to interested parties requesting them. Additional comments may be submitted during the week following the deadline for submission of initial comments.

The request for comment also will require that, in comments concerning domestic policy issues, reference be made to the portion of the Commission

hearing record in which the issue was presented so that those wishing to answer may review that record. If no such presentation was made to the Commission, the party submitting the comment must include a statement explaining the failure to present the issue to the Commission. The U.S. Trade Representative will be reluctant to review domestic policy issues which could have been presented to the Commission but were not. Comments on foreign policy issues need not refer to the Commission record since review of foreign policy is solely within the President's purview.

This change in format is being made to encourage both those representing parties to the Commission investigation, and those representing any other interested party that might be affected by the determination of the Commission in any section 337 action, to present public policy issues to the Commission during its hearings on relief, bonding and the public interest. Such a presentation will give other parties an opportunity to answer and will provide a more thorough record regarding domestic policy issues than generally has been available in the past.

The limited period provided for review of domestic and foreign policy issues makes it difficult to evaluate thoroughly domestic policy issues which are presented for the first time in response to a request for comments from this Office. Inclusion of a thorough presentation of those issues in the Commission record would permit a more thorough evaluation of foreign policy issues which might be present in a given investigation.

Following is a sample solicitation notice.

Donald E. deKieffer,
General Counsel.

Office of the U.S. Trade Representative

Request for Public Comments: Section 337 Determination of the U.S. International Trade Commission regarding

On _____ (date), the United States International Trade Commission (the Commission), following an investigation, found a violation of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 in the _____ (reason for determination). An order was issued _____ (nature of the order).

Under section 337(g), the President may disapprove the determination of the Commission within 60 days for policy reasons, thereby terminating the Commission's order on the date the Commission is notified of his disapproval. The President also may approve the determination expressly, making the order final immediately, or he may take no action, allowing the order to become final following the 60 day period provided for review.

Interested parties are invited to submit comments concerning foreign policy or domestic policy issues which should be considered by the President in making his decision. Parties submitting comments regarding domestic policy issues should refer to the portion of the Commission record in which information or comment concerning that issue was presented. If no presentation of the domestic policy issue was made to the Commission, the interested party should include justification for the failure to do so, i.e., the information was not available or changed circumstances have raised an issue not present at the time of the Commission's determination. The U.S. Trade Representative will be reluctant to review comments concerning domestic policy issues not included in the Commission record absent adequate justification for the failure of the interested party to make a presentation before the Commission. Because foreign policy issues are considered only during the Presidential review, interested parties need not refer to the Commission record to submit comments based upon foreign policy.

Comments submitted should not be longer than 15 double spaced letter sized pages, including attachments. The original and 19 copies of the comments should be delivered no later than the close of business _____, to the Secretary, Trade Policy Staff Committee, 600 17th Street, NW, Room 413, Washington, D.C. 20500. Interested parties may obtain copies of the comments submitted on _____ answers will be accepted until close of business _____. For further information call _____.

Chairman,

Section 337 Committee.

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Trade Policy Staff Committee; Public Hearings On U.S.-Argentina Agreement on Hides and Leather.

1. *Summary.* The Government of Argentina has informed the Office of the United States Trade Representative that it does not intend to fully implement its obligations under a U.S.-Argentina Agreement Concerning Hide Exports and Other Trade Matters (the Hide Agreement) dated August 10, 1979. In that Agreement Argentina agreed to reduce its ad valorem export tax on cattlehides to 10% on October 1, 1980, to 5% on April 1, 1981, and to 0% on October 1, 1981. On October, 1980, Argentina reduced its export tax to 10% and has refused to further reduce it according to the Hide Agreement.

In return for Argentine tax reductions, the United States agreed to reduce its ad valorem duty on bovine leather (TSUS 121.61) to 1% on October 1, 1980, and to 0% on October 1, 1981. The duty is currently 2% ad valorem.

The United States is continuing to consult with the Government of