for adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974."

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

#### Linda G. Poole,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance. [FR Doc. 02–31058 Filed 12–6–02; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4510–30–P

### DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

# Employment and Training Administration

# [TA-W-41,770]

# RFS Ecusta, Pisgah Forest, North Carolina; Amended Certification Regarding Eligibility To Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance

In accordance with section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2273) the Department of Labor issued a Certification of Eligibility To Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance on November 4, 2002, applicable to workers of RFS Ecusta, Pisgah Forest, North Carolina. The notice will soon be published in the **Federal Register**.

At the request of the State agency, the Department reviewed the certification for workers of the subject firm. The workers produced tobacco, specialty, and printing paper. Information provided by the State shows that workers of RFS Ecusta were previously certified (TA–W–37,854) which expired July 24, 2002. To avoid an overlap in worker group coverage, the Department is amending the impact date for TA–W– 41,770 from May 21, 2001, to July 25, 2002.

The amended notice applicable to TA–W–41,770 is hereby issued as follows:

"All workers of RFS Ecusta, Pisgah Forest, North Carolina, who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after July 25, 2002, through November 4, 2004, are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974."

Signed at Washington, DC this 19th day of November, 2002.

#### Linda G. Poole,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance. [FR Doc. 02–31063 Filed 12–6–02; 8:45 am]

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# DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-40,941 and TA-W-40,941A]

Wheland Automotive Industries, Warrenton, Georgia and Wheland Automotive Industries, Chattanooga, Tennessee; Amended Certification Regarding Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance

In accordance with section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2273) the Department of Labor issued a Certification Regarding Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance on May 3, 2002, applicable to workers of Wheland Automotive Industries, located in Warrenton, Georgia. The notice was published in the **Federal Register** on May 17, 2002 (67 FR 35141).

At the request of the company official, the Department reviewed the certification for workers of the subject firm. The workers produced castings for brake drums and disc brake rotors. The company official reported that employment at the company's Chattanooga, Tennessee plant has declined. The sales of castings for brake drums and disc brake rotors at Chattanooga, Tennessee, have also declined. Layoffs of workers at the company's headquarters in Chattanooga, Tennessee, providing administrative support services to Whelan Automotive Industries has also occurred. The output of castings for brake drums and disc brake rotors at the Chattanooga plant were for the same customer base as the Warrenton, Georgia plant.

Based on the new information provided by the company, the Department is amending the certification to expand coverage to workers of Wheland Automotive Industries in Chattanooga, Tennessee, including the workers at headquarters, engaged in employment related to the production of castings for brake drums and disc brake rotors.

The amended notice applicable to TA–W–40,941 is hereby issued as follows:

"All workers of Wheland Automotive Industries, Warrenton, Georgia (TA–W– 40,941), and workers of Wheland Automotive Industries, including headquarters staff, engaged in employment related to the production of castings for brake drums and disc brake rotors at Chattanooga, Tennessee (TA–W–40,941A), who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after January 14, 2001, through May 3, 2004, are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974." Signed at Washington, DC this 20th day of November, 2002.

### Linda G. Poole

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance. [FR Doc. 02–31061 Filed 12–6–02; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4510–30–P

# DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

#### Employment and Training Administration

# Investigations Regarding Certifications of Eligibility To Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance

Petitions have been filed with the Secretary of Labor under Section 221(a) of the Trade Act of 1974 ("the Act") and are identified in the Appendix to this notice. Upon receipt of these petitions, the Director of the Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance, Employment and Training Administration, has instituted investigations pursuant to Section 221(a) of the Act.

The purpose of each of the investigations is to determine whether the workers are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Title II, Chapter 2, of the Act. 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.

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, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than December 19, 2002.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments regarding the subject matter of the investigations to the Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than December 19, 2002.

The petitions filed in this case are available for inspection at the Office of the Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room C–5311, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210.

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

#### Edward A. Tomchick,

Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.