

structures on the OCS and the promulgation of regulations to govern the program. Selection of the Preferred Alternative also provides MMS the option to authorize individual projects on a case-by-case basis before promulgation of the final rule. The Director, MMS signed the ROD on December 21, 2007.

Authority: This NOA is published pursuant to the regulations (40 CFR 1506.6) implementing the provisions of the NEPA of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321, *et seq.*).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This ROD was developed through the preparation of the final *Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement Alternative Energy Development and Production and Alternate Use of Facilities on the Outer Continental Shelf* (Final Programmatic EIS). The environmental impacts from potential activities that may arise from the AEAU program in the reasonably foreseeable future are assessed in the Final Programmatic EIS, which was prepared in accordance with the NEPA. Section 388 of the EAct grants the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) discretionary authority to issue leases, easements, or ROWs for activities on the OCS that produce or support production, transportation, or transmission of energy from sources other than oil and gas, and are not otherwise authorized by law. Examples of the general types of alternative energy project activities that MMS has the discretion to authorize may include, but are not limited to: Wind energy, wave energy, ocean current energy, solar energy, and hydrogen production. The Secretary delegated this authority to MMS.

Section 388 of the EAct also grants the Secretary authority to issue leases, easements, or ROWs for other OCS project activities that make alternate use of existing OCS facilities for "energy-related purposes or for other authorized marine-related purposes," to the extent such activities are not otherwise authorized by law. Such activities may include, but are not limited to: Offshore aquaculture, research, education, recreation, and support for operations and facilities authorized under the OCS Lands Act. The Secretary delegated this authority to MMS as well.

The MMS selected the Preferred Alternative that establishes an AEAU program for the issuance of leases, easements, and ROWs on the OCS for alternative energy activities and the alternate use of structures on the OCS. Selection of the Preferred Alternative also provides MMS the option to authorize, on a case-by-case basis, individual AEAU projects that are in the

national interest prior to promulgation of the final rule. At the same time, the MMS will vigorously pursue its efforts to complete a comprehensive program with regulations for authorizing and managing AEAU activities on the OCS. Upon promulgation of the final rule, MMS leases, easements, and ROWs for AEAU activities on the OCS would be issued subject to the rule's provisions.

As initial mitigation measures, this decision also adopts the interim policies provided in Attachment A of the ROD and initial best management practices (BMPs) in Attachment B of the ROD. Two of the proposed BMPs were not adopted as explained in the ROD. The interim policies will guide and inform MMS' decision-making when considering any proposal for an AEAU project on the OCS. In addition, the MMS will consider and, on a case-by-case basis, may select one or more of the BMPs as appropriate to be included as a binding stipulation in any lease, easement or ROW for AEAU activities that it issues. MMS will employ and act by these policies when considering projects submitted under the AEAU program.

ROD Availability: To obtain a single printed copy of the ROD, you may contact the Minerals Management Service, Alternative Energy and Alternate Use Program (MS 4080), 381 Elden Street, Herndon, Virginia 20170. An electronic copy of the ROD is available at MMS's EIS Web site at: ocsenery.anl.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Minerals Management Service, Ms. Maureen Bornholdt, Alternative Energy and Alternate Use Program (MS 4080), 381 Elden Street, Herndon, Virginia 20170, or by phone at (703) 787-1300.

Dated: January 4, 2008.

Chris C. Oynes,

Associate Director for Offshore Minerals Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of Job Corps; Advisory Committee on Job Corps; Meeting

AGENCY: Office of Job Corps.

ACTION: Notice of Advisory Committee Meeting.

SUMMARY: On August 22, 2006, the Advisory Committee on Job Corps (ACJC) was established in accordance with the provisions of the Workforce Investment Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The

Committee was established to advance Job Corps' new vision for student achievement aimed at 21st century high-growth employment. This Committee will also evaluate Job Corps program characteristics, including its purpose, goals, and effectiveness, efficiency, and performance measures in order to address the critical issues facing the provision of job training and education to the youth population that it serves. The Committee may provide other advice and recommendations with regard to identifying and overcoming problems, planning program or center development or strengthening relations between Job Corps and agencies, institutions, or groups engaged in related activities.

DATES: The meeting will be held on January 23-24, 2008 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The Advisory Committee meeting will be held at the Omni Austin Hotel at Southpark, 4140 Governor's Row, Austin, Texas 78744. Telephone: (512) 448-2222.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Crystal Woodard, Office of Job Corps, 202-693-3000 (this is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On August 22, 2006 the Advisory Committee on Job Corps (71 FR 48949) was established in accordance with the provisions of the Workforce Investment Act, and the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The Committee was established to advance Job Corps' new vision for student achievement aimed at 21st century high-growth employment. This Committee will also evaluate Job Corps program characteristics, including its purpose, goals, and effectiveness, efficiency, and performance measures in order to address the critical issues facing the provision of job training and education to the youth population that it serves. The Committee may provide other advice and recommendations with regard to identifying and overcoming problems, planning program or center development or strengthening relations between Job Corps and agencies, institutions, or groups engaged in related activities.

Agenda: The agenda for the meeting will be the full committee voting on draft recommendations of the three subcommittees.

Public Participation: The meeting will be open to the public. Seating will be available to the public on a first-come first-served basis. Seats will be reserved for the media. Individuals with disabilities should contact the Job Corps official listed above, if special accommodations are needed.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 3rd day of January 2008.
Esther R. Johnson,
National Director, Office of Job Corps.
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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Investigations Regarding Certifications of Eligibility To Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance and Alternative Trade 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 January 22, 2008.

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 January 22, 2008.

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 2nd day of January 2008.

Ralph Dibattista,
Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

APPENDIX

[TAA petitions instituted between 12/26/07 and 12/28/07]

TA-W	Subject firm (petitioners)	Location	Date of institution	Date of petition
62601	H and H Tube (Comp)	Vanderbilt, MI	12/26/07	12/20/07
62602	Runnerless Knits, Inc. (Wkrs)	Milton, PA	12/26/07	12/20/07
62603	Coyne and Delany Co. (Comp)	Charlottesville, VA	12/26/07	12/17/07
62604	Sintec Keramik USA, Inc. (State)	Bridgeport, CT	12/26/07	12/21/07
62605	Tyco Electronics (Comp)	Fuquay-Varina, NC	12/26/07	12/20/07
62606	Fantech, Inc. (Comp)	Sarasota, FL	12/26/07	12/20/07
62607	Chrysler LLC (UAW)	Belvidere, IL	12/26/07	12/21/07
62608	Precision Materials (Wkrs)	Wayne, NJ	12/27/07	12/26/07
62609	Standard Motor Products (Wkrs)	Long Island City, NY	12/27/07	12/24/07
62610	Robert Bosch Tool Co. (State)	Heber Springs, AR	12/27/07	12/26/07
62611	G. Leblanc (Comp)	Kenosha, WI	12/27/07	12/26/07
62612	Buckborn, Inc. (Wkrs)	Dawson Springs, KY	12/28/07	12/21/07

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-62,052]

Freescale Semiconductor, Inc., New Product Introduction (NPI), Compound Semiconductor 1 (CS1) Factory, Tempe, AZ; Notice of Affirmative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration

On December 12, 2007, the Department of Labor (Department) received a request for administrative reconsideration of the Department’s Notice of Negative Determination Regarding Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance, applicable to workers and former workers of the subject firm. The negative determination was issued on

November 13, 2007. The Department’s Notice of determination was published in the **Federal Register** on December 10, 2007 (72 FR 69711). Subject workers are engaged in activities related to the production of gallium arsenide (GaAs) semiconductors for the purposes of the design and development of new automotive and cellular technologies.

The determination was based on the Department’s findings that the group eligibility requirements under section 222(a) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, was not met.

In the request for reconsideration, the workers alleged that the subject workers are engaged in activities related to the production of not only GaAs semiconductors but also related to the production of non-GaAs semiconductors.

The Department has carefully reviewed the workers’ request for reconsideration and has determined that the Department will conduct further investigation regarding the production

of both GaAs semiconductors and non-GaAs semiconductors.

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 3rd day of January 2008.

Elliott S. Kushner,
Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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