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Workers at Richmond's Mosey Manufacturing eligible for federal aid

INDIANAPOLIS (November 6, 2006) – The Indiana Department of Workforce Development announced today that the U.S. Department of Labor has ruled that former employees of Richmond's Mosey Manufacturing Company, are eligible to receive federal Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA).

The TAA program, which is administered at the state level by the Indiana Department of Workforce Development, is made available to workers who are displaced due to foreign imports or shifts in production out of the country.

In order for dislocated workers to be eligible for TAA benefits, a company executive, union representative or three former employees must file a petition with the Department of Labor and it must be approved before benefits can be released. The investigation began October 13, 2006, in response to a petition filed on behalf of workers.

The Department of Labor investigation revealed that production and employment at the Mosey Manufacturing decreased during the relevant period. The Department of Labor surveyed the subject firms' major declining customers regarding their purchases of phosphor bronze strip in 2004, 2005 and January through September 2006 over the corresponding 2005 period. The survey revealed a major customer increased their reliance on imported light duty automotive cylinder liners during the period under investigation.

Consequently, workers at the Richmond plant qualified for TAA benefits and the findings were certified on October 27, 2006. With the ruling, any employee who has been or will be totally or partially separated from employment on or after October 12, 2005 through October 27, 2008 is eligible to apply for adjustment assistance.

The TAA program provides a variety of benefits and services to help unemployed workers prepare for and obtain suitable employment. Workers may be eligible for a variety of re-employment services, job search and relocation allowances and training. In addition, weekly trade re-adjustment allowances may be payable to eligible workers following the exhaustion of unemployment insurance benefits.

Eligible parties may contact the Richmond WorkOne at (765) 962-8591, or any WorkOne Center for more information.

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