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£7 168 645 ECSC GRANTS FOR STEEL WORKERS

The European Commission has announced ECSC readaptation grants totalling £7 168 645 for workers who have lost their jobs in the British steel industry. Altogether 2 448 people are covered. For those who worked in the private sector, the grants will finance make-up pay, training allowances or early pensions. For those made redundant in the British Steel Corporation the money goes to fund schemes which are already under way. The breakdown of the allocation is as follows:

1. Wrexham, Clwyd - £43 000

For 12 workers who have lost their jobs as a result of closure of sections of the Slag Reducation Company plant at Brymbo Steelworks.

2. Warley, West Midlands - £1 115 145

For 480 workers affected by the closure of two mills at the London Works Steel Co Ltd's plant as a result of declining demand for the company's products.

3. Warley, West Midlands - £229 500

For 83 workers affected by the closure of Brockhouse District Steel Ltd's 12in section cross country mill at their Warley works.

4. Sheffield, South Yorkshire - £435 000

For 134 workers who have lost their jobs as a result of the closure of the Regent Works of Aurora Steels Ltd in Sheffield.

5. Sheffield and Rotherham, South Yorkshire - £42 000

For 15 workers who have lost their jobs as a result of a cutback in output at C.G. Carlisle & Co Ltd's works at Sheffield and Rotherham.

6. Telford, Shropshire - £366 000

For 126 workers who have lost their jobs as a result of the complete closure of Lilleshall Steel Ltd's Telford plant following a long-term fall in demand for its products.

7. Sheffield, South Yorkshire and Glasgow, Strathclyde - £450 000

For 170 workers affected by cutback at Firth Brown Ltd's Atlas Works in Sheffield and closure of a small outstation at the Parkhead works in Glasgow, following a reduction in demand for liquid steel cast into ingots.

8. Sheffield, South Yorkshire - £166 000

For 61 workers affected by the closure of the Middlewood Rolling Mills of F.M. Parking Ltd, the Royds Works of a subsidiary company, and a reduction at the company's St Thomas Steelworks.

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9. Manchester and Birkenhead - £494 000

For 179 workers who are being affected by a reduction in activity at three plants of the Manchester Steel group of companies. The plants concerned are Manchester Steel Ltd's Manchester plant, Bidston Steel Ltd at Birkenhead and H. Stewart (Metals) Ltd at Manchester.

10. Redcar, Cleveland - £217 000

For 75 workers affected by a reduction in shift working at British Steel Corporation's Lackenby Works at Redcar. This reduction took place last year.

11. Panteg, Gwent - £280 000

For 87 workers affected by a cutback in shift working at the British Steel Corporation's Panteg Works between 1978 and 1981.

12. Motherwell and Glasgow, Strathclyde - £3 331 000

For 1 026 workers affected by the cutback in activity at the British Steel Corporation's Craigneuk and Tollcross Works between 1975 and 1982.

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