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TO: Workforce Florida Inc. and Regional Workforce Boards

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SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2006 State Base Allocations and the Process for Regi

Additional Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) Program Reserve Funds

PURPOSE:

To issue a copy of the Employment and Training Administration's (ETA) Training and Employment Guidance Letter (TEGL) on the Fiscal Year (FY) 2006 State Base Allocations and the Process for Requesting Additional Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) Program Reserve Funds.

BACKGROUND:

On October 1, 2003, the ETA revised their process for allocating and distributing training funds to states for the TAA program. This process allows states to receive a base allocation at the beginning of the fiscal year and provides for additional supplemental funds to be requested based on factors outlined in the attached.

ACTION REQUIRED:

We are requesting that Regional Workforce Boards (RWBs) track services provided to TAA participants in the One Stop Management Information System (OSMIS) i.e., training, job search allowances and/or relocation allowances. It is necessary for all RWBs to have a coordinated process for ensuring that trade-affected workers receive rapid response assistance and information provided to them regarding the services and benefits available. This process allows for eligible individuals to be served timely and information adequately tracked and documented for reporting purposes.

It is imperative that trade-affected workers who qualify for training services, job search allowances and relocation allowances use allowable funding from the TAA Program. Please note that allowable funding includes approved Individual Training Accounts

(ITAs) for tuition, books, supplies and fees excluding core, intensive and support services funded with TAA dollars.

To ensure we qualify for adequate TAA funds, we must properly identify TAA customers who qualify for training services, obligate training funds (ITA) through TAA funding dollars and report accrued training expenditures.

LINK:

http://wdr.doleta.gov/directives/attach/TEGL4-05.pdf

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