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Attn: Gene Tichenor
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Re: PY 2005 Reemployment Services Grant

Dear Ms. Gilbert:

As per the Training and Employment Guidance Letter (TEGL) No. 7-05, attached is the New Jersey Reemployment Services Performance Report for PY 2005.

Sincerely,

COMMISSIONER

Enclosures:

ETA Form 9100

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REEMPLOYMENT SERVICES PERFORMANCE REPORT

STATE: New Jersey

DATE: November 6, 2006

STATE SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE REPORT

The New Jersey Reemployment Services grant is a component of the Wagner-Peyser plan and, as such, is a part of the Strategic Five-Year Unified State Plan for New Jersey's Workforce Investment System.

PY 2005 funds were used for staff resource costs related to the delivery of Reemployment Services. The staff is focusing on intensive services for claimants in the following categories: 1) those who are permanently laid off and are unlikely to return to their previous industry or occupation; 2) are likely to exhaust their regular unemployment benefits; and 3) are in need of reemployment assistance in order to make a transition to new employment.

Intensive reemployment services are supplemented by our Career Beacon Workshops. These reemployment workshops are sponsored by Workforce New Jersey and offered by the One-Stop Career Center staff. The Career Beacon Workshop series is aimed at the general claimant population, but is an appropriate tool for all labor exchange customers including Profiled UI claimants participating in the Positive Reemployment Opportunities System (PROS) and Welfare customers.

Career Beacon workshops include Orientation, Self-Management Skills, Effective Job Search, Labor Market Information Research, Marketing Yourself, Interview Skills and Training Opportunities. Individuals attending the Career Beacon Orientation, [the One-Stop segment of the Reemployment Orientation (RO)] are informed of the many services available through the One-Stop Career Centers and the other Career Beacon Workshops being offered. Participants are required to complete a Skills Self-Assessment form that will assist them in selecting the Career Beacon Workshops best for their needs. They are also provided with a brochure explaining the different types of workshops, the workshop schedule, and the instruction for registration. The Career Beacon Workshops are six (6) independent modules and there is no prescribed order in which the modules can be attended. Participants are encouraged to take the Self-Management Skill Workshop first as it provides a foundation for the other workshops. PROS participants have a specific track to follow as determined by the local One-Stop Career Center. The One-Stop Career Center staff presents the various workshops and provides intensive services to customers in order to provide them with the assistance that they need in becoming employed.

In addition, New Jersey has Workforce Learning Links in each One-Stop Career Center statewide. The Workforce Learning Links assist individuals in obtaining the necessary

language and basic educational skills to be competitive in today's job market. To assist the employers in New Jersey there are now eighteen (18) Business Resource Centers providing a valuable link between employers and job seekers.

In May 2005, Workforce New Jersey in partnership with the New Jersey Division of Unemployment Insurance, participated in a federal grant to provide Job Search Assistance and Assessment Program (JSAAP) Workshops to claimants that are between their 8th and 12th week of unemployment. In July 2006, we received a continuation grant. These workshops appear to be successful in assisting those customers, who prior to this timeframe in their unemployment claim, did not feel that they needed the services of the One-Stop Career Centers. Besides the assessment of their work search, the participants are assessed as to what other services, to include the Career Beacon Workshops, may help the customer return to the workforce. The names of customers who do not report for the JSAAP workshop are forwarded to the local Unemployment Insurance (UI) representative for claims examination and determination of future UI benefits

PROGRAM PERFORMANCE OUTCOMES

Profiled claimants attending Orientation	32,057
Reemployment Orientations Held	107,053
Entered Employment	125,705