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Signed at Washington, DC this 3rd day of August, 2011.

Michael L. Davis,

Deputy Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment And Training Administration

Announcement Regarding the Virgin Islands Triggering "on" Tier Three of Emergency Unemployment Compensation 2008 (EUC08).

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Announcement regarding the Virgin Islands triggering "on" Tier Three of Emergency Unemployment Compensation 2008 (EUC08).

Public law 111-312 extended provisions in public law 111-92 which amended prior laws to create a Third and Fourth Tier of benefits within the EUC08 program for qualified unemployed workers claiming benefits in high unemployment states. The Department of Labor produces a trigger notice indicating which states qualify for EUC08 benefits within Tiers Three and Four and provides the beginning and ending dates of payable periods for each qualifying state. The trigger notice covering state eligibility for the EUC08 program can be found at: http://ows.doleta.gov/unemploy/claims_arch.asp.

Based on data published July 8, 2011, by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the following trigger change has occurred for the Virgin Islands' EUC08 program:

- The estimated three month average, seasonally adjusted total unemployment rate for the Virgin Islands rose to meet or exceed the 6.0% threshold to trigger "on" in Tier Three of the EUC 2008 program. The payable period in Tier Three for the Virgin Islands began July 24, 2011, and claimants there will be

eligible for up to an additional 13 weeks of benefits.

Information for Claimants

The duration of benefits payable in the EUC program, and the terms and conditions under which they are payable, are governed by public laws 110-252, 110-449, 111-5, 111-92, 111-118, 111-144, 111-157, 111-205 and 111-312, and the operating instructions issued to the states by the U.S. Department of Labor. Persons who believe they may be entitled to additional benefits under the EUC08 program, or who wish to inquire about their rights under the program, should contact their State Workforce Agency.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Scott Gibbons, U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Unemployment Insurance, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Frances Perkins Bldg. Room S-4524, Washington, DC 20210, telephone number (202) 693-3008 (this is not a toll-free number) or by e-mail: gibbons.scott@dol.gov.

Signed in Washington, DC, this 3rd day of August, 2011.

Jane Oates,

Assistant Secretary, Employment and Training Administration.

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LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION

Request for Comments—Poverty Data and LSC Funding Distribution

AGENCY: Legal Services Corporation.

ACTION: Request for comments.

SUMMARY: Since 1996, the Legal Services Corporation's annual appropriation has mandated that the Corporation distribute most of its appropriated funds to basic field programs for LSC-defined geographic areas so as to provide an equal figure per individual in poverty for each geographic area. The appropriation has further mandated that the number of individuals in poverty in each geographic area be determined by the Bureau of the Census "on the basis of the most recent decennial census." The 2010 decennial census, however, did not collect poverty data for the 50 states, the District of Columbia or Puerto Rico, so "the most recent decennial census" will not provide a basis for determining how many people in poverty are within those jurisdictions. The LSC Board of Directors requests comments on a proposal by LSC's management to address this issue by

making recommendations to the President and to Congress that: (1) The determination of the number of individuals in poverty in each geographic area be made by the Bureau of the Census, without any reference to the decennial census as the basis for that determination; (2) funding be reallocated among geographic areas every three years based on updated poverty population determinations by the Bureau of the Census; and (3) the first reallocation be phased in over two years, in Fiscal Year 2013 and Fiscal Year 2014.

DATES: Written comments will be accepted until September 8, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be submitted by mail, fax or e-mail to Mark Freedman, Senior Assistant General Counsel, Legal Services Corporation, 3333 K St., NW., Washington, DC 20007; 202-295-1623 (phone); 202-337-6519 (fax); mfreedman@lsc.gov.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Legal Services Corporation ("LSC" or "Corporation") was established by the United States Congress "for the purpose of providing financial support for legal assistance in noncriminal matters or proceedings to persons financially unable to afford such assistance." 42 U.S.C. 2996b(a). LSC performs this function primarily through providing Federal funding to civil legal aid programs providing legal services to low-income persons throughout the United States and its possessions and territories in geographic areas determined by LSC. Since 1996, the Legal Services Corporation's annual appropriation has mandated that the Corporation distribute most of its appropriated funds to basic field programs for LSC-defined geographic areas so as to provide an equal figure per individual in poverty for each geographic area. The appropriation has further mandated that the number of individuals in poverty in each geographic area be determined by the Bureau of the Census "on the basis of the most recent decennial census." (Certain exceptions apply for areas in which other adjusted population counts have been historically used.) Public Law 104-134, Title V, 501(a), 110 Stat. 1321, 1321-50 (1996) (incorporated by reference thereafter). Under that mandate, LSC has reallocated funding every ten years. The 2010 U.S. census,