

preparing the Department's consolidated financial statements required by the Chief Financial Officer Act of 1990. The UTF is the single largest asset and liability on the statements.

- Reconcile the Department's records with the U.S. Treasury records.
- Support UI research and actuarial reports analyzing the solvency of the UTF.

The Department seeks renewal of this collection since the reports are essential to the Department's financial statements and program oversight responsibilities.

#### II. Desired Focus of Comments:

Currently the Employment and Training Administration is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension collection of these reports. Commenters are requested to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of the appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, technological or other forms of information collection techniques.

*III. Current Actions:* The continued collection of these financial data are necessary for the purposes of monitoring and evaluating state financial transactions for proper oversight and administration of the UI system.

*Type of Review:* Extension without change.

*Agency:* Employment and Training Administration (ETA).

*Title:* Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund Activities Reports.

*OMB Number:* 1205-0154.

*Agency Number:* ETA 2112, 8401, 8405, 8413, 8414, 8403.

*Affected Public:* State Workforce Agencies.

*Total Respondents:* 53.

*Frequency:* ETA 2112, 8401, 8405, 8413, 8414: Monthly.

*Total Responses:* 53 states × 12 months = 636 responses.

*Average time per Response:* The ETA 2112, 8401, 8405, 8413, 8414 are all submitted on a monthly basis. *We estimate the state burden to be:* 636 total

responses × 2.5 hours for all 5 reports (.5 hours for each report) = 1,590 hours. The ETA 8403 is submitted only when there is activity requiring update of the state's Reed Act account. *We estimate the state burden to be:* 53 states × 6 annual responses × 30 minutes per response = 159 reporting hours.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 1,749 hours.

*Total Burden Cost (capital/startup):* \$0.

*Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining):* \$0.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: Signed in Washington, DC, this 23rd day of November, 2011.

**Jane Oates,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment and Training Administration

#### Notice of a Change in Status of an Extended Benefit (EB) Period for Pennsylvania

**AGENCY:** Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a change in benefit period eligibility under the EB program for Pennsylvania.

The following changes have occurred since the publication of the last notice regarding the State's EB status:

- Based on the data released by the Bureau of Labor Statistics on October 21, 2011, the three month average, seasonally-adjusted total unemployment rate for Pennsylvania rose to exceed the 8.0% threshold to trigger "on" to a high unemployment period (HUP) in EB. The payable period for Pennsylvania in HUP began November 6, 2011 and eligibility for claimants increased from a maximum potential duration of 13 weeks to a maximum potential duration of 20 weeks in the EB program.

The trigger notice covering state eligibility for the EB program can be found at: [http://ows.doleta.gov/unemploy/claims\\_arch.asp](http://ows.doleta.gov/unemploy/claims_arch.asp).

#### Information for Claimants

The duration of benefits payable in the EB program, and the terms and

conditions on which they are payable, are governed by the Federal-State Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 1970, as amended, and the operating instructions issued to the states by the U.S. Department of Labor. In the case of a state beginning an EB period, the State Workforce Agency will furnish a written notice of potential entitlement to each individual who has exhausted all rights to regular benefits and is potentially eligible for EB (20 CFR 615.13(c)(1)).

Persons who believe they may be entitled to EB, 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 email: [gibbons.scott@dol.gov](mailto:gibbons.scott@dol.gov).

Signed in Washington, DC, this 23rd day of November, 2011.

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#### Notice of a Change in Status of the Payable Periods in the Emergency Unemployment Compensation 2008 (EUC08) Program for Colorado

**AGENCY:** Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Announcement regarding Notice of a Change in Status of the payable periods in the Emergency Unemployment Compensation 2008 (EUC08) program for Colorado.

Public Law 111-312 extended provisions in Public Law 111-92 which amended prior laws to create Third and Fourth Tiers 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