

the Assistant Secretary of Labor for the Employee Benefits Security Administration, and determine the topics to be addressed by the Council in 2012.

Organizations or members of the public wishing to submit a written statement may do so by submitting 30 copies on or before March 6, 2012 to Larry Good, Executive Secretary, ERISA Advisory Council, U.S. Department of Labor, Suite N-5623, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20210. Statements also may be submitted as email attachments in text or pdf format transmitted to [good.larry@dol.gov](mailto:good.larry@dol.gov). It is requested that statements not be included in the body of the email. Statements deemed relevant by the Advisory Council and received on or before March 6, 2012 will be included in the record of the meeting and available in the EBSA Public Disclosure room. Do not include any personally identifiable information (such as name, address, or other contact information) or confidential business information that you do not want publicly disclosed.

Individuals or representatives of organizations wishing to address the Advisory Council should forward their requests to the Executive Secretary by email or telephone (202-693-8668). Oral presentations will be limited to ten minutes, time permitting, but an extended statement may be submitted for the record. Individuals with disabilities who need special accommodations should contact the Executive Secretary by March 6.

Signed at Washington, DC this 21st day of February, 2012.

**Michael L. Davis,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment and Training Administration

#### Notice of a Change in Status of an Extended Benefit (EB) Period for Maine and Michigan

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a change in status of payable periods under the EB program for Maine and Michigan.

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

- Based on data released by the Bureau of Labor Statistics on January 24, 2012, Maine and Michigan do not meet one of the necessary criteria to remain on in the EB program: Having a TUR trigger rate at least ten percent greater than the rate for a comparable period in any of the three prior years. This triggered Maine and Michigan "off" the EB program with the week ending January 28, 2012. The end of the payable period in both states in the EB program will be February 18, 2012.

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 concluding 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 16th day of February, 2012.

**Jane Oates,**

*Assistant Secretary, Employment and Training Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment and Training Administration

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

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a change in status of the payable periods in the Emergency Unemployment Compensation 2008 (EUC08) program for Connecticut and Missouri.

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](http://ows.doleta.gov/unemploy/claims_arch.asp). The following changes have occurred since the publication of the last notice regarding these States' EUC08 status:

- Based on data released by the Bureau of Labor Statistics on January 24, 2012, the three month average, seasonally adjusted total unemployment rate for Connecticut and Missouri fell below the 8.5% threshold to remain "on" in Tier 4 of the EUC08 program. As a result, the current maximum potential entitlement for Connecticut and Missouri in the EUC08 program will decrease from 53 weeks to 47 weeks. The week ending February 18, 2012 will be the last week in which EUC claimants in Connecticut and Missouri can exhaust Tier 3, and establish Tier 4 eligibility. Under the phase-out provisions, claimants can receive any remaining entitlement they have in Tier 4 after February 18, 2012.

#### 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, 111-312, and 112-78, and the operating instructions issued to the states by the U.S. Department of Labor. Persons who