

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Employment and Training Administration****Notice of a Change in Status of the Extended Benefit (EB) Program for Michigan**

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Notice.

This notice announces a change in benefit period eligibility under the EB program for Michigan. The following change has occurred since the publication of the last notice regarding the States' EB status:

Michigan has enacted new legislation which provides for the temporary adoption of the total unemployment rate (TUR) trigger during the current period of 100% Federal financing. Based on data released by the Bureau of Labor Statistics on October 20, 2020, the seasonally-adjusted total unemployment rates for Michigan exceeded 8.0 percent was greater than 110 percent in both the prior or second prior year, triggering Michigan "on" to a high unemployment periods (HUP) in EB. Based on the enacted State legislation, the HUP trigger became effective the week ending October 24, 2020 and the maximum potential entitlement for claimants in the EB program increase from 13 weeks to 20 weeks on November 8, 2020. The trigger notice covering state eligibility for the EB program can be found at: http://ows.doleta.gov/unemploy/claims_arch.as

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: U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Unemployment Insurance Room S-4524, Attn: Thomas Stengle, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20210, telephone number (202) 693-2991 (this is not a toll-free number) or by email: Stengle.Thomas@dol.gov.

Signed in Washington, DC.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Occupational Safety and Health Administration**

[Docket No. OSHA-2007-0053]

Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratories; Policy for Transitioning to Satellite Notification and Acceptance Program (SNAP) Termination

AGENCY: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Labor.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In this notice, OSHA issues a final policy for transitioning to the termination of the Satellite Notification and Acceptance Program.

DATES: The policy OSHA finalizes in this notice is issued on November 24, 2020.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Information regarding this notice is available from the following sources:

Press inquiries: Contact Mr. Frank Meilinger, Director, OSHA Office of Communications; telephone: (202) 693-1999; email: meilinger.francis2@dol.gov.

General and technical information: Contact Mr. Kevin Robinson, Director, Office of Technical Programs and Coordination Activities, Directorate of Technical Support and Emergency Management, Occupational Safety and Health Administration; telephone: (202) 693-2110; email: robinson.kevin@dol.gov. OSHA's web page includes information about the NRTL Program (see <http://www.osha.gov/dts/otpc/nrtl/index.html>).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Background****A. Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratories (NRTL) Program**

Many of OSHA's safety standards require employers to use products tested and certified as safe (e.g., 29 CFR 1910, subpart S). In general, testing laboratories, and not employers, perform the required testing and certification. To ensure that the testing and certification performed on products is appropriate, OSHA implemented the NRTL Program. This program establishes the criteria that a testing laboratory must meet to achieve, and retain, NRTL recognition.

OSHA recognition of a NRTL signifies that the organization meets the legal requirements specified in 29 CFR 1910.7, the regulatory provision containing the requirements an organization must meet to become a NRTL and retain NRTL status. Recognition is an acknowledgment by OSHA that the organization can perform independent safety testing and certification of the specific products covered within the organization's scope of recognition, and is not a delegation or grant of government authority. Recognition under the NRTL Program, therefore, enables employers to use products approved by NRTLs to meet OSHA standards that require product testing and certification.

Each NRTL is approved for a scope of recognition, which identifies: (a) The type of products the NRTL may approve; and (b) the NRTL's "recognized sites." The requirements for NRTL recognition are outlined in the NRTL Program Regulation at 29 CFR 1910.7 and Appendix A to that regulation.

B. NRTL Program Directive

The NRTL Program Directive sets forth OSHA policies, procedures, and interpretations that supplement and clarify the NRTL Program regulation, 29 CFR 1910.7 and Appendix A (NRTL Program Policies, Procedures and Guidelines, CPL 01-00-004, available at https://www.osha.gov/sites/default/files/enforcement/directives/CPL_01-00-004.pdf). OSHA recently revised the NRTL Program Directive, on October 1, 2019.

The revised NRTL Program Directive contains a revised definition of "recognized site." To be recognized, "a site must be administratively and operationally controlled by the NRTL and must perform at least one of the following functions: testing and inspection (and/or accepting test data or inspections), performing reviews, or making certification decisions with the NRTL management system" (NRTL Program Directive, Annex C). In revising the definition, OSHA eliminated ownership requirements contained in the prior definition of recognized site (NRTL Program Directive Ch. 1.IX.D). Thus, to be a recognized site, the site no longer has to be owned by the NRTL.

Prior to issuing the revised NRTL Program Directive (CPL-01-004), OSHA permitted NRTLs to use a number of different supplemental programs in order to use the services of other facilities to test and certify products used in the workplace (60 FR 12980, 74 FR 923). One of these supplemental programs was Supplemental Program