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AWI Communiqué

TO: Regional Workforce Board Executive Directors*

FROM:  Wyatt Pope, Deputy Director for Workforce Services

SUBJECT: National Emergency Grant (NEG) – Use of NEG Funds Under the Workforce Investment Act, as Amended, to Support Employment-Related Assistance for Workers Affected by the 2005 Defense Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC 2005) Actions

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the Training and Employment Guidance Letter (TEGL) Number 16-03, Change 4 is as follows:

1. To provide additional guidance to the Regional Workforce Boards (RWB) regarding the modification of the NEG BRAC 2005 strategic planning grants; and
2. To provide guidance to the RWBs regarding the new applications for NEG-funded assistance for individuals, military installations and communities affected by BRAC 2005 once the Department of Defense (DoD) timelines are available and well-articulated reemployment strategies are in place.

REFERENCE:

Link for the TEGL Number 16-03, Change 4 below

BACKGROUND:

On June 30, 2005, the Agency for Workforce Innovation (AWI) was awarded \$1,000,000 in NEG funds from the United States Department of Labor to assist the State and RWBs in conducting comprehensive and integrated locally-based planning in concert with other partners to facilitate a quality, timely, and effective system-wide response to meet the needs of workers, communities and businesses directly or indirectly affected by the BRAC 2005 actions. Affected RWBs 1, 2, 4, 8, and 12 are conducting planning activities under Phase I for civilian workers at the various Florida military installation locations. The approved grant period for this project is June 1, 2005 through December 31, 2006.

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AWI may submit a request to the NEG Grant Officer to modify the planning grant to incorporate the implementation (services to participants) phase (Phase II) to respond to the BRAC 2005, when appropriate. Requests for supplemental NEG funds for BRAC 2005 implementation will be considered when quarterly financial accrued expenditures applicable to NEG BRAC grant approaches 80 percent of funds awarded. Much of the planning for BRAC 2005 will focus on the timing of layoffs and closures as well as workforce gains. A revised DoD listing of projected community impact (including indirect impacts) has been prepared, entitled: "Final Recommendations: Employment Impact by Economic Areas and States" (see link below). The implementation modification may be submitted when the AWI is able to identify impending BRAC-impacted actions and the number of eligible individuals available to commence services.

AUTHORITY:

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ACTION REQUIRED:

Please distribute the attached TEGL to the appropriate staff members.

LINK:

http://wdr.doleta.gov/directives/corr_doc.cfm?DOCN=2243)

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