MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 16, 2010
TO: Regional Workforce Board Executive Directors
FROM: Lois A. Scott, Program Manager, One-Stop and Program Support
SUBJECT: Trade Adjustment Assistance Funding Allocation for October 1, 2010 through December 14, 2010

In an effort to ensure that regional workforce boards have adequate funds available to serve eligible trade-affected workers between now and December 15, 2010 when the new merit staff rule takes effect, we need you to complete the attached form identifying your funding needs for serving eligible trade-affected workers. This information needs to be submitted to Mershal Noble and Angela Feeser no later than Monday, September 27, 2010.

Please note that any current Notice of Funds Availability (NFA) for the Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) program will end September 30, 2010 and any unused funds your board has after the 60 day closeout period for that award will be automatically de-obligated. The attached TAA Funding Request form should include the amount you may need for participants who are currently enrolled in training for tuition and related costs and any estimate of training needs for any recently approved or pending TAA certifications for the period between October 1, 2010 and December 14, 2010.

The TAA workgroup that includes Agency for Workforce Innovation, Workforce Florida, Inc., and Regional Workforce Board representation continues to work on a plan to transition the TAA program from its current provider operated service delivery system to a merit-based board staff delivery system. That workgroup is developing recommendations for how the program will operate effective December 15, 2010 and once final program guidelines have been established, the Agency will provide you the opportunity to let us know how much funding you will need under the new program model.

Please send your completed forms to Mershal Noble and Angela Feeser at the email addresses below. Should you have any questions regarding the TAA program, please contact Mershal Noble at (850) 921-3317 or via e-mail at Mershal.Noble@flaawi.com. Fiscal questions may be addressed to Angela Feeser at (850) 245-7356 or via e-mail at Angela.Feeser@flaawi.com

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Attachment: TAA Funding Request Form

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