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TO: Workforce Florida, Inc. and Regional Workforce Boards (RWBs)

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SUBJECT: Leveraging Registered Apprenticeship as a Workforce Development Strategy for the Workforce Investment System

PURPOSE:

To issue Employment and Training Administration's (ETA) Training and Employment Guidance Letter (TEGL) 2-07 which provides information and resources to support the use of Registered Apprenticeship by the workforce investment system as an effective approach to building a skilled and competitive workforce in regional economies.

BACKGROUND:

The 21st century economy demands a workforce with postsecondary education credentials and the adaptability to respond immediately to changing economic and business needs. The public workforce system is playing a leadership role in meeting these demands by catalyzing the implementation of innovative talent development and lifelong learning strategies that will enable American workers to advance their skills and remain competitive in the global economy. Registered Apprenticeship, a critical postsecondary education, training, and employment option available in every state in the country, is an important component of these talent development strategies. Registered Apprenticeship is business- and industry-driven, with more than 29,000 programs impacting 250,000 employers and almost 450,000 apprentices —predominantly in high-growth industries that face critical skilled worker shortages now and in the foreseeable future. Full collaboration between the publicly funded workforce investment system and Registered Apprenticeship leverages each system's strengths to maximize the benefits in the context of regional talent development strategies.

ACTION REQUIRED:

Regional Workforce Boards are encouraged to provide this information to service providers, workforce partners, and interested parties.

AUTHORITY:

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LINK:

http://wdr.doleta.gov/directives/corr_doc.cfm?DOCN=2491

ATTACHMENT:

<http://wdr.doleta.gov/directives/attach/TEGL/tegl2007/TEGL2-07a1.pdf>

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