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SUBJECT: Transition Funding Information for SCSEP National Grantees

1. **Purpose.** To provide organizations interested in the Program Year (PY) 2006 national Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) grantee competition with information related to funding for the grantee transition period from July 1-September 30, 2006.

2. **References.** Solicitation for Grant Application (SGA)/DFA-Program Year (PY) 05-06.

3. **Background.** The national SCSEP grants are being competed for PY 2006. In the original SGA, the Department of Labor (the Department) indicated that the closing date for submission was April 17, 2006, and that the Grant Officer was expected to announce the results of the competition by mid- to late May. However, as indicated at Amendment 1 to the SGA published at 71 FR 17922 (April 7, 2006), the deadline for submission was extended to May 26, 2006. As a result of this extension, new policies and timelines for provision of transition funding to PY 2005 current national grantees and PY 2006 successful incumbent applicants have been developed.

4. **Relevant Information.**

   A. **Appropriation Amount**

      The amount specified in the SGA as available for competition will be used to fund national grants during PY 2006. As indicated in Amendment 2 to the SGA, published at 71 FR 19757 (April 17, 2006), the Department will allocate the full appropriation available for national grantees. The appropriation
will be allocated through extensions of current grants and new grants awarded through this competition. The total amount available for competition will be the full appropriation minus the amounts allocated to current grantees for continuation of program operations until October 1, 2006.

B. Extension of Current Grants

Current grants will be extended until September 30, 2006 at PY 2005 allotment levels, prorated to three months, using PY 2006 funds.

C. Distribution of Funds for Successful New Applicant

Successful new applicants selected through this competition will receive funds for an 11-month grant beginning on August 1, 2006. The amount of funds available for the transition period (August 1–September 30, 2006) will be at reduced rate to support administrative and transition costs. During the transition period, new grantees will generally perform start-up activities, but the Department will work with transitioning grantees to ensure that all participants are provided services during the transition period. The amount of funds available beginning on October 1, 2006, will be based on the slots allocated and funding authority for the grant awarded through this competition.

D. Provision of Additional Funds for Successful Incumbent Applicants

PY 2005 national grantees that are also successful applicants in this competition may receive funds from August 1–September 30, 2006, to support transition activity for the new grant. Funding levels of successful applicants after October 1, 2006, will be based on the slots allocated and funding authority for the grant awarded through this competition.

E. Unsuccessful Incumbent Applicants.

Should an incumbent applicant be unsuccessful, the Department will consider providing additional funds for close-out activity.

5. Action Required. Regional Office staff and PY 2005 national SCSEP grantees should review this information.

6. Inquiries. ETA Regional staff seeking to obtain more information should contact the Office of Workforce Investment, Division of Adult Services. Incumbent national SCSEP grantees seeking more information should contact their Federal Project Officer.