TO: ALL STATE WORKFORCE AGENCIES

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Office of Workforce Security

SUBJECT: Extension of the Unemployment Insurance (UI) Data Validation (DV) Program

1. **Purpose.** To announce Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval of the extension of the UI DV program.

2. **Reference.** Section 303(a)(6), Social Security Act (SSA); ETA Handbook 361.

3. **Background.** UI Data Validation is necessary to ensure that data reported by states that are used to measure performance, for administrative fund allocations, for economic analysis, and other purposes are accurate and comparable across states. The authority for this program (OMB collection No. 1205-0431) expired on May 31, 2008.

4. **OMB Approval.** The reporting requirements for ETA Handbook 361 are approved by OMB according to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 under OMB No. 1205-0431 and will expire on July 31, 2011.

5. **Burden Disclosure.** Handbook 361 will display the following burden disclosure information:

   OMB No.: 1205-0431; OMB Expiration Date: 07/31/2011; Estimated Average Response Time: 550 hours.

   OMB Burden Statement: These reporting instructions have been approved under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Persons are not required to respond to this collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. Public reporting burden for this collection of information includes the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Submission is required under SSA 303(a)(6). Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information...
information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to the U. S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Workforce Security, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room S-4522, Washington, D.C. 20210.

6. **Action Required.** State Administrators are requested to provide the above information to appropriate staff.

7. **Inquiries.** Inquiries should be directed to the appropriate regional office.