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SUBJECT: Notice of Determination of Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL) (PY) 2009

1. Purpose. To announce the Lower Living Standard Income Level for Fiscal Year (FY) 2009.


3. Background. The Department of Labor issues the Lower Living Standard Income Level on an annual basis. The regulations cited above require the Assistant Secretary of Labor for the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) to annually determine the Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL) for uses described in the law.

4. What is the LLSIL? The term is defined as the income level (adjusted for regional, metropolitan, urban and rural differences and family size) determined annually by the Secretary of Labor based on the most recent lower living of a four-person urban family budget estimates, previously published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). Currently, BLS provides data to ETA through which ETA develops the LLSIL tables.

5. Who Uses the LLSIL? State Workforce Agencies, State/Local Workforce Investment Boards (WIBs), and One-Stop Career Centers use the LLSIL for determining eligibility for youth and adults for certain WIA services.

6. How is the LLSIL Used? The updated LLSIL is used for multiple purposes under WIA. The 70 percent LLSIL is one of the factors used to allocate WIA Youth and Adult program funds. Moreover, the 70 percent LLSIL is used in the definition of Disadvantaged Youth and Adults in WIA.

8. **Action Required.** Addressees are requested to share the LLSIL determinations with their staff and partners in their regions, state, and local areas as appropriate.

9. **Inquires.** Direct question to Samuel Wright, Office of Workforce Investment, Employment and Training Administration, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Room S-4231, Washington, D.C. 20210. Telephone (202) 693-2870, (This is not a toll-free number).