TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

NO. 19-06

DATE

January 19, 2007

TO: STATE WORKFORCE AGENCIES

FROM: CHERYL ATKINSON /s/

Administrator

Office of Workforce Security

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year (FY) 2007 Unemployment Insurance Benefits Timeliness and

Quality (BTQ) Nonmonetary Determination Evaluation Training Seminar

1. <u>Purpose</u>. To announce a planned BTQ Nonmonetary Determination Evaluation Training Seminar.

- 2. References. ET Handbook No. 301, Fifth Edition, Revised July 2005.
- 3. <u>Background</u>. To maintain a cadre of state staff trained in the quarterly nonmonetary adjudication quality review process, the U.S. Department of Labor (USDOL) offers training seminars annually at various locations across the country. This training prepares nonmonetary determination adjudicators to participate in the quarterly tripartite quality reviews, and prepares Benefits Accuracy Measurement (BAM) / Denials Accuracy Measurement staff to accurately investigate and assess the quality of nonmonetary determinations.
- **4.** <u>FY 2007 BTQ Nonmonetary Determination Evaluation Training Seminar</u>. The first session, for approximately 25 participants, is planned for March 5 9, 2007, in New York, New York. We expect to offer additional BTQ seminars during FY 2007. Dates and locations will be announced later.
- **5.** <u>State Nominees.</u> Nominations for the session will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. The course is designed for staff who have not previously attended BTQ training.
- **6.** <u>Logistics</u>. Travel arrangements and costs for attendees are the responsibility of the employing agency. Specific information regarding hotel reservations and location is attached. Persons with disabilities who wish to attend should send requests for accommodation to the appropriate Regional Office (RO).

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- **7.** Action Required. State Administrators are requested to notify appropriate State Workforce Agency (SWA) staff of the upcoming BTQ Nonmonetary Determination Evaluation Training Seminar and provide RO staff with the name of each SWA nominee. The information should be submitted to the RO no later than February 2, 2007.
- **8. Inquiries.** Inquiries should be directed to the appropriate RO.

Attachment

NONMONETARY DETERMINATION EVALUATION TRAINING SEMINAR

March 5 - 9, 2007

HOTEL LOCATION

Holiday Inn Express Chelsea 232 West 29th Street, Between 7th and 8th Avenue New York, NY 10001-5201

SEMINAR LOCATION

201 Varick Street, Conference Room 638-B New York, NY 10014

SEMINAR HOURS

Begins: Monday, March 5, 2007, 1 p.m. Concludes: Friday, March 9, 2007, noon

A block of rooms has been reserved at the hotel under the group name, "Department of Labor, BTQ Training." The rate is \$214.00 plus 13.375 percent tax and \$3.50 occupancy tax per night. Parking is available at adjacent lots; inquires should be directed to hotel personnel. Each individual is responsible for contacting the hotel at (212) 695-7200 to make his/her reservation. Please reference the group name to ensure that you receive the seminar rate. Reservations must be made no later than February 9, 2007.

SEMINAR LOCATION: The training seminar will be held at the Federal building 6th floor conference space. State or Federal ID will be required to access the building. The New York City Transit (subway) system's No. 1 Broadway – 7th Avenue (Red Line) provides transportation from the hotel to the Federal building. The subway station (28th Street / 7th Avenue) is located around the corner from the hotel on 28th Street. The subway stop for the Federal building is Houston Street / Varick Street, which is located about 50 feet from the Federal building. The fare for the subway is \$2 or an unlimited number of rides can be purchased for a fixed price. A 7-day Unlimited Ride MetroCard is available for \$24 and is good for unlimited express bus, local bus, and subway rides until midnight, 7 days from the first use.

GROUND TRANSPORTATION: Taxis are available from John F. Kennedy International Airport for approximately \$45 one way and LaGuardia Airport for approximately \$35 one way. Shuttle service is also available and information can be obtained from any of the airport transportation service desks throughout the airport.