

amount is up to \$10,000, paid over up to two years.

Under the 2011 Amendments, RTAA does not require a separate group certification and workers may receive training while receiving this benefit, as explained in TEGL No. 22–08 and its Change 1.

I. STATE OPERATIONS

The TAAEA reinstates the State Operations provisions explained in TEGL No. 22–08, Section II, including the alien verification requirements and the requirement to implement control measures. The TAAEA changes the performance measures and reporting requirements; however, those changes do not go into effect until FY 2013. ETA will issue further instructions to states to allow ample time for programming these changes before October 1, 2012.

J. HEALTH COVERAGE TAX CREDIT (HCTC)

Subtitle B of the TAAEA retroactively reinstates a number of HCTC enhancements that were available to workers under the 2009 Program, and increases the credit rate from 65 percent under the 2002 Program to 72.5 percent reimbursement of health insurance costs for eligible participants. This HCTC is retroactive to February 13, 2011 for workers who were eligible during that time period, and payment for monthly premiums going forward will apply to coverage months beginning with the month 30 days after enactment of the 2011 Amendments.

These changes apply to all eligible workers, regardless of whether they are being served under the 2002 Program, the 2009 Program, or the 2011 Program, including workers who choose to switch from the 2002 Program to the 2011 Program and those who remain in the 2002 Program. For additional information on HCTC provisions under the 2009 Program, see UIPL No. 21–09 and <http://www.irs.gov/individuals/article/0,,id=187948,00.html>.

Administration: The Internal Revenue Service administers the HCTC, which helps “eligible TAA recipients” and “eligible alternative TAA recipients” and other eligible workers and their families pay for their qualified health insurance premiums. “Eligible alternative TAA recipients” includes ATAA recipients and RTAA recipients. The TAAEA restores the “Special Rule” as described in UIPL No. 21–09 that expands the definition of an “eligible TAA recipient.” An eligible TAA recipient continues to be a worker who receives Trade Readjustment Allowances (TRA) for any day of a month (and the next subsequent month)

or who would receive TRA but for the fact that s/he has not exhausted UI entitlement, and is potentially eligible for HCTC for that month.

The restored special rule expands that definition to also include: 1) a worker who is in a break in approved training that exceeds 30 days, and the break falls within the period for receiving TRA provided under the section 233 of the Trade Act; or, 2) who is receiving UI for any day of such month and would be eligible to receive TRA (except that s/he has not exhausted UI) for such month, without regard to the enrollment in training requirements.

In operating the 2011 Program, states should apply the instructions in UIPL No. 21–09 for identifying “eligible TAA recipients.” In addition, the TAAEA restores the continued qualification of family members after certain events as provided under the 2009 Program. Finally, the TAAEA also restores Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) benefits for TAA eligible workers provided under the 2009 Program.

5. Action Requested. The operating instructions contained in this TEGL are issued to states as guidance provided by the Department, through ETA, in its role as the principal of the TAA program. The states, as agents of the Secretary, may not vary from the operating instructions in this document without prior approval from ETA. The operating instructions in this document constitute the controlling guidance for the states in implementing and administering the 2011 Amendments. These operating instructions only address changes to the TAA program made by the 2011 Amendments.

6. Financial Reporting. ETA will provide additional guidance to states about the financial reporting requirements under the TAAEA, including clarifications for the ETA ‘9130.

7. Sunset Provisions. The 2011 Amendments sunset on December 31, 2013, after which date the 2011 Amendments will no longer apply to the Trade Act and the provisions of the 2002 Amendments, with three provisions of the 2011 Amendments listed below, will apply. The “reverted TAA program” established under the sunset provisions of the TAAEA, is authorized to be in effect from January 1, 2014, through December 31, 2014.

Administration: The reverted TAA program retains the following provisions of the 2011 Amendments:

- Retains the elimination of training waivers based on recall, marketable skills, and requirement.

- Retains the elimination of the additional 26 weeks of TRA for workers participating in prerequisite or remedial training.

- Retains the authority for the Secretary to provide up to 13 weeks of additional TRA, (Completion TRA) to qualifying workers.

ETA will issue instructions to implement the reverted TAA program, as necessary.

8. Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) Statement. The information collections referenced in this TEGL have been approved by the OMB under Control Number 1205–0342, expires 01/31/2013 and 1205–0392, expires 04/30/2013. According to the PRA, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless such collection displays a valid OMB Control Number. 44 U.S.C. 3507. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room N 5428, Washington, DC 20210 and reference OMB Control Number 1205–0342 or 12050392.

9. Action Requested. States will inform all appropriate staff of the contents of these instructions.

10. Inquiries. Please direct all inquiries to the appropriate Regional Office.

Dated: Signed in Washington, DC, on this 21st day of May, 2012.

Jane Oates,

Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Request for Certification of Compliance—Rural Industrialization Loan and Grant Program

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Employment and Training Administration is issuing this notice to announce the receipt of a “Certification of Non-Relocation and Market and Capacity Information Report” (Form 4279–2) for the following:

Applicant/Location: Conva-Rest Warren Hall, Inc.

Principal Product/Purpose: The loan, guarantee, or grant application is to build a new 22,600 square foot, sixty bed skilled nursing facility and a 3,600 square foot maintenance building in Picayune, Mississippi. The NAICS industry code for this enterprise is: 623110 (nursing care facilities).

DATES: All interested parties may submit comments in writing no later than June 13, 2012.

Copies of adverse comments received will be forwarded to the applicant noted above.

ADDRESSES: Address all comments concerning this notice to Anthony D. Dais, U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Room S-4231, Washington, DC 20210; or email Dais.Anthony@dol.gov; or transmit via fax (202) 693-3015 (this is not a toll-free number).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Anthony D. Dais, at telephone number (202) 693-2784 (this is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 188 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act of 1972, as established under 29 CFR part 75, authorizes the United States Department of Agriculture to make or guarantee loans or grants to finance industrial and business activities in rural areas. The Secretary of Labor must review the application for financial assistance for the purpose of certifying to the Secretary of Agriculture that the assistance is not calculated, or likely, to result in: (a) A transfer of any employment or business activity from one area to another by the loan applicant's business operation; or, (b) an increase in the production of goods, materials, services, or facilities in an area where there is not sufficient demand to employ the efficient capacity of existing competitive enterprises unless the financial assistance will not have an adverse impact on existing competitive enterprises in the area. The Employment and Training Administration within the Department of Labor is responsible for the review and certification process. Comments should address the two bases for certification and, if possible, provide data to assist in the analysis of these issues.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 23rd day of May 2012.

Jane Oates,
Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training.

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NATIONAL COUNCIL ON DISABILITY

Notice of Sunshine Act Meetings

TIME AND DATES: The Members of the National Council on Disability (NCD) will hold a quarterly meeting on Wednesday, June 6, 2012, 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m., PST; and on Thursday, June 7, 2012, 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m., PST.

PLACE: The meeting will occur in-person at the University of California Los Angeles (UCLA) Faculty Center in the Hacienda, 405 Hilgard Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90095. Interested parties may join the meeting in person or may join the phone line in a listening-only capacity (with the exception of the public comment period) using the following call-in number: 1-888-428-9506; Passcode: 2078042. If asked, the conference call leader's name is Aaron Bishop.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: The Council will receive updates from the Council's standing committees and will discuss the topic of subminimum wage. The public comment period will take place from 3:30 p.m.–4:00 p.m., PST. Any individuals interested in providing public comment will be asked to provide their names and their organizational affiliations, if applicable, and to limit their comments to three minutes. Those individuals who plan to provide public comment may also send their comments in writing to Lawrence Carter-Long, Public Affairs Specialist, at lcarterlong@ncd.gov, using the subject line of "Public Comment."

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Anne Sommers, NCD, 1331 F Street NW., Suite 850, Washington, DC 20004; 202-272-2004 (V), 202-272-2074 (TTY).

ACCOMMODATIONS: Those who plan to attend and require accommodations should notify NCD as soon as possible to allow time to make arrangements.

Dated: May 25, 2012.

Aaron Bishop,
Executive Director.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Committee on Equal Opportunities in Science and Engineering (CEOSE); Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

Name: Committee on Equal Opportunities in Science and Engineering (1173)

Dates/Time: June 19, 2012, 1:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.; June 20, 2012, 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Place: National Science Foundation (NSF), 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

To help facilitate your entry into the building, contact the individual listed below. Your request to attend this meeting must be received by email (kmack@nsf.gov) on or prior to June 12, 2012.

Type of Meeting: Open.

Contact Person: Dr. Kelly Mack, Program Officer and CEOSE Executive Secretary, Division of Human Resource Development, Directorate for Education and Human Resources, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone Number: (703) 292-8575 kmack@nsf.gov.

Minutes: Meeting minutes and other information may be obtained from the Executive Secretary at the above address or the Web site at <http://www.nsf.gov/od/ceose/index.jsp>.

Purpose of Meeting: To study data, programs, policies, and other information pertinent to the National Science Foundation and to provide advice and recommendations concerning broadening participation in science and engineering.

Agenda

Tuesday, June 19, 2012

Opening Statement by the CEOSE Chair

Feature Presentation:

- Broadening Participation Programs and Initiatives in the Geosciences Directorate: Dr. Tim Kileen (Assistant Director, GEO, NSF).

Discussions and Reports:

- Concurrence on the minutes of the CEOSE February 28–29, 2012 meeting;
- Report of CEOSE Executive Officer meeting with Dr. Suresh;
- Report of CEOSE liaisons to NSF Directorate Committees on NSF Advisory Committee Meetings;
- CEOSE 2011–12 Biennial Report to Congress;
- Discussion with Dr. Subra Suresh, Director, NSF.

Wednesday, June 20, 2012

Opening Statement by the CEOSE Chair

Feature Presentation:

- NSF Executive Liaison Report: Dr. Wanda Ward (Senior Advisor, NSF);
- Implementation of Merit Review Criteria: Dr. Joanne Tornow (Deputy Assistant Director, SBE, NSF);