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MEMORANDUM FOR: ELLIOT P. LEWIS
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SUBJECT: Multiple Hurricane Katrina Disaster Unemployment Assistance Claims in Louisiana in Possession of One Individual - Draft Management Letter No. 06-06-005-03-315

This responds to your request for the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) to follow-up with the State of Louisiana regarding the status of eight potentially fraudulent Disaster Unemployment Assistance claims identified by your office.

ETA's Dallas Regional Office was advised by the Louisiana Department of Labor that the payments made on these claims have been determined to be improper and overpayments have been established.

We appreciate the work of your office to assist the State of Louisiana in detecting and investigating cases of potential fraud related to unemployment claims filed as a result of Hurricane Katrina.