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MEMORANDUM FOR: BYRON ZUIDEMA

Acting Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training

FROM: ELLIOT P. LEWIS

Assistant Inspector General

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for Audit

SUBJECT: Audit of States' Use of the National Directory

of New Hires to Detect Unemployment

Insurance Improper Payments

Please be advised the Office of Inspector General is initiating an audit involving the National Directory of New Hires (NDNH). Our audit will focus on whether states are effectively using NDNH to detect and reduce the number of unemployment insurance improper payments resulting from recipients who have returned to work and continue to collect benefits.

We will contact your audit liaison to schedule an entrance conference to discuss the audit objective, scope, and methodology. We plan to begin work immediately after the entrance conference and would appreciate your notifying appropriate agency officials of our plans.

If you have any questions, please contact Dwight Gates, Audit Director, at (404) 665-4364, or Mark Sanderson, Audit Manager, at (404) 665-4363.

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