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TO: STATE WORKFORCE AGENCIES

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 Administrator
 Office of Workforce Security

SUBJECT: Unemployment Insurance (UI) National Tax
 Conference – August 13 -16, 2007

1. Purpose. To announce the UI National Tax Conference that will be held in San Diego, California, August 13 -16, 2007, to request agenda topics, and to encourage participation in the conference.
2. Background. Every two years, the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Workforce Security sponsors a UI National Tax Conference. The conference is designed to bring together state staff who are responsible for the administration of the UI tax program and Federal staff responsible for the oversight of these programs. This is an important national forum to discuss current UI issues, exchange ideas to enhance UI tax programs, and showcase innovative tax programs and practices.
3. Conference Topics. A broad range of informative topics that are of interest to UI tax professionals will be discussed during the conference. The conference plenary sessions and workshops will include topics such as SUTA Dumping Detection results and methods, state UI administrative funding, Tax Performance System initiatives, UI tax automation and technology, and partnerships to enhance integrity and performance.
4. Conference Registration. The host state of California has arranged for participants to be able to register for the conference on-line at www.workforceatm.org. The fee for state and Federal staff registering by July 11 will be \$225.00. The fee for those registering after July 11 will be \$300.00. The preferred method for registration and payment is on-line. Detailed instructions explaining the registration and payment options can be found on the conference web site. General information about the conference and San Diego may also be found at the same website address.

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5. Hotel Information and Reservations. The 2007 conference will be held at the Wyndham – Emerald Plaza, 400 West Broadway, San Diego, California, 92101. Please note that the Wyndham Hotel will become a Westin Hotel during the spring of 2007. A block of rooms has been reserved under the name, US Department of Labor – UI Tax Conference 2007 at the local Federal per diem rate of \$131 per night, single occupancy and \$151.00 double occupancy. Reservations must be made by Monday, July 23, 2007, 5:00 p.m. PDT to obtain a room at this rate. To make hotel reservations, call (619) 239-4500 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. PDT and specifically request “in-house reservations” to ensure that you speak directly to the local hotel reservation staff. On-line reservations for the hotel will not be available until the Westin Hotel changeover occurs. The conference web site at www.workforceatm.org will have a link to the hotel on-line registration as soon as it becomes available. We strongly encourage state staff to register as soon as possible to ensure room reservations in the conference hotel.
6. Ground Transportation. The hotel will provide complimentary shuttle service from the San Diego Lindbergh airport to the hotel.
7. Parking. Parking in the hotel is \$25.00 per day for valet parking with in/out privileges, or \$22.00 per day for self-parking. Offsite parking rates for nearby lots range from \$15.00 to \$20.00 per day.
8. Action Required. State Administrators are requested to share this information with appropriate staff and encourage staff to attend the conference.
9. Inquiries. Please direct inquiries to your Regional Offices.