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STATE EMPLOYMENT SERVICES INSTRUCTION NUMBER: 12-11

TO: Area Directors
DEW Staff Managers
TAA Workforce Specialists
LWIA Administrators

SUBJECT: Increase in the Trade Adjustment Assistance
Federal Mileage Reimbursement

ISSUANCE DATE: January 28, 2013

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 3, 2013

PURPOSE: To revise the State policy concerning the increase in the federal mileage reimbursement rate pursuant to transportation allowances, subsistence, job search allowances, and relocation allowances under the Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) Program.

BACKGROUND: The TAA Program allows for payment of transportation or subsistence payments to attend training, out-of-area job search allowances, and job relocation allowances when the travel is outside of a participant's commuting area.

POLICY: Effective for the claim week beginning on Sunday, February 3, 2013 and forward, the federal mileage reimbursement rate under the TAA Program increases from 55.5 cents to 56.5 cents per mile.

All TAA participants who are applying for or are already participating in TAA-approved training on or after February 3, 2013, will be reimbursed according to this rate. All new job search allowance and relocation allowance applications received on or after February 3, 2013, will be reimbursed according to this rate.

ACTION: TAA Workforce Specialists are responsible for the implementation of the Trade Adjustment Assistance policy. Specifically, revised TAA Transportation Applications for all participants in training must be completed no later than Friday, February 8, 2013.

INQUIRIES: Point of contact for this state instruction letter is Silvia Middleton at (803) 737-2583 or smiddleton@dew.sc.gov.

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