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**DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY**  
*Your Partner For A Stranger Arizona*

Janice K. Brewer  
Governor

Clarence H. Carter  
Director

Aprill, 2012

Ms. Heather Fleck  
Federal Coordinator for Plan Review and Approval  
Division of Workforce System Support  
Employment and Training Administration  
U.S. Department of Labor  
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Washington, DC 20210

Dear Ms. Fleck:

Arizona's Strategic State Plan for Title I of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) and the Wagner-Peyser Act will expire on June 30, 2012. In accordance with IEGL No. 21-11, Arizona is requesting a temporary extension of our currently approved Arizona WIA/Wagner-Peyser State Plan and current waivers into Program Year (PY) 2012.

As indicated in TEGL No. 21-11, Arizona has decided to use the goals negotiated for PY 2011 for PY 2012. The performance levels for PY 2012 are:

**Adult**

Entered Employment Rate	70.5%
Employment Retention Rate	84.0%
Average Earnings	\$11,200.00
Employment and Credential Rate	66.0%

**Dislocated Worker**

Entered Employment Rate	75.0%
Employment Retention Rate	87.5%
Average Earnings	\$14,000.00
Employment and Credential Rate	72.0%

**Older Youth**

Entered Employment Rate	73.0%
Employment Retention Rate	80.0%
Six Months Earnings Increase	\$3,400.00
Credential Rate	50.0%

**Younger Youth**

Skill Attainment Rate	83.0%
Diploma or Equivalent Rate	58.0%
Retention Rate	65.0%

**Customer Satisfaction**

Employer	71.0%
Participant	71.0%

**Wagner-Peyser Entered**

Employment Employment	60.0%
Retention Rate Average	73.0%
Earnings	\$10,500.00

Arizona is requesting the extension of the current waivers through PY 2012. The waivers currently in place are:

- 1) Waiver of the provision at 20 CFR 663.520 that prescribes a time limit on the period of initial eligibility for training providers.
- 2) Waiver of WIA Section 136(h) and 20 CFR 666.420 to apply applicable sanctioning to the Gila County Reemployment and Pre-Layoff Assistance Center (REPAC) with regard to those performance measures that were negotiated collectively.
- 3) Waiver to permit the Gila County REPAC to negotiate a uniform set of measures and represent the five local areas in preparation of the State annual report as prescribed in Section 136(c); 20 CFR 666.300 and 666.310.
- 4) Waiver of Section 133(b)(4) to increase the allowable transfer amount between Adult and Dislocated Worker funding streams allocated to a local area.
- 5) Waiver of the required 50 percent employer contribution for customized training at WIA Section 101(8)(C).
- 6) Waiver of WIA Section 123 requires that providers of Youth Program elements be selected on a competitive basis.

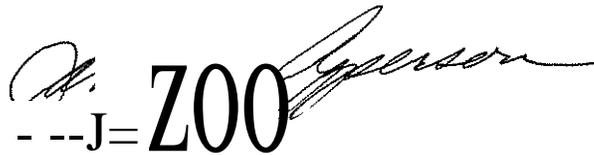
Arizona will submit the new Integrated Workforce Plan for PY 2012-2016 by September 15, 2012.

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The extension will allow the state of Arizona to develop strategic planning on the Governor's vision, workforce challenges, and service delivery strategies by bringing involvement from different levels of the workforce system in developing the appropriate sections of the Integrated Workforce Plan.

Your consideration of this request is appreciated. If you have questions, please contact Thomas Colombo, Administrator, Employment Administration at (602) 542-3667.

Sincerely,



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Assistant Director  
Employment and Rehabilitation Services

cc: Todd Yamamoto, Acting Regional Administrator, U.S. Department of Labor  
Rosemary Cowan, Chief, Division of Workforce Investment, ETA, Region 6

**PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION DESIGNEES AND PLAN SIGNATURES**

**Name of WIA Title I Grant Recipient Agency:**

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	Phoenix, Arizona 85007
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**Name of State WIA Title I Administrative Agency (if different from the Grant Recipient):**

Address:
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**Name of WIA Title I Signatory Official:**

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**Name of WIA Title I Liaison:**

Address:
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Name of Wagner-Peyser Act Grant Recipient/State Employment Security Agency:

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Name and Title of the State Labor Market ,Workforce Information or Research Director:

Address:	
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E-mail Address:	

As the governor, I certify that for the State/Commonwealth of Arizona, the agencies and officials designated above have been duly designated to represent the State/Commonwealth in the capacities indicated for the Workforce Investment Act, title I, and Wagner-Peyser Act grant programs. Later changes in the designation of officials will be provided to the U.S. Department of Labor as such changes occur.

I further certify that we will operate our Workforce Investment Act and Wagner-Peyser Act programs in accordance with this Plan and the assurances herein.

Typed Name of Governor \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Governor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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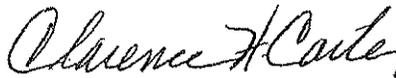
Dear Mr. Trigg:

I hereby delegate to James J. Apperson, Assistant Director of the Arizona Department of Economic Security, Division of Employment and Rehabilitation Services, the authority to act as the signatory for the following funding agreements required on an annual basis by the United States Department of Labor:

- Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA)
- Workforce Investment Act (WIA)
- Unemployment Insurance (UI)
- Disabled Veterans Outreach Program (DVOP)
- Local Veterans Employment Representative (LVER)
- Wagner-Peyser Act (Employment Services)
- Reemployment and eligibility assessment (REA) grants (Employment Services)

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. James J. Apperson at (602) 542-4910 or via e-mail at JApperson@azdes.gov.

Sincerely,



Clarence H. Carter  
Director

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