

MASSACHUSETTS WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM

Mass Workforce Issuance

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☐ Policy ☒ Information

To: Chief Elected Officials
Workforce Investment Board Chairs
Workforce Investment Board Directors
Title I Administrators
Career Center Directors
Title I Fiscal Officers
DCS Operations Managers

cc: WIA State Partners

From: Alice Sweeney, Director
Department of Workforce Development

Date: January 13, 2015

Subject: Trade Adjustment Assistance Mileage Reimbursement Rate Change

Purpose: To notify Local Workforce Investment Boards (WIB), One-Stop Career Center Operators and other workforce investment partners of a change in the mileage reimbursement rate for Trade Program customers.

Background: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 5707(b) the General Services Administration sets the Federal travel reimbursement rates. The Trade Adjustment Assistance program regulation at 617.28(b) requires Trade eligible customers who are participating in approved training programs outside their normal commuting area to be reimbursed for travel costs at an amount not to exceed the lesser of the actual cost of transportation by the least expensive means that is reasonably available or the cost per mile at the prevailing mileage rate authorized under the Federal Travel regulations. The Federal rate increased from 0.565 cents per mile to 0.575 cents per mile effective January 1, 2015.

The Massachusetts Trade Adjustment Assistance program will reimburse Trade customers eligible for travel cost reimbursement at the new rate of 0.575 cents per mile for use of a privately owned vehicle. The announced change is effective as of January 1, 2015.

Action

Required: Please assure that all appropriate staff are notified of the contents of this issuance.

Effective: January 1, 2015

Inquiries: Any questions related to this information should be directed to Beth Goguen at bgoguen@detma.org or 617- 626-6007.