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DIRECTIVE: EMPLOYMENT SERVICE PROGRAM LETTER NO. 7-93

TO: ALL STATE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY AGENCIES

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 for Regional Management

SUBJECT: H-2A Program -- Adverse Effect Wage Rates
 (AEWRs) and Allowable Charges for Meals for 1993

1. Purpose. To provide SESAs with a copy of the February 1, 1993 Federal Register Notice (Vol 58, No. 19., Pages 6643-6645) announcing the 1993 Adverse Effect Wage Rates (AEWRs) and allowable charges for meals for 1993 applicable to H-2A program employers.

2. Background. The Director, U.S. Employment Service, annually announces the AEWRs for employers seeking non-immigrant alien (H-2A) workers for temporary or seasonal agricultural labor or services and the allowable charges such employers may levy upon their workers when they provide three meals per day.

AEWRs are the minimum wage rates which the Department of Labor has determined must be offered and paid to U.S. and alien workers by employers of nonimmigrant alien agricultural workers (H-2A visaholders). AEWRs are established to prevent the employment of these aliens from adversely affecting wages of similarly employed U.S. workers.

The rates which covered agricultural and logging employers may charge their workers for three daily meals is adjusted each year based on changes in the Consumer Price Index.

The AEWRs and meal charges were announced in the Federal Register on February 1, 1993, and were effective the date of publication.

3. Action Required. SESA are requested to insure that staff involved in processing H-2A job orders are informed of the 1993 AEWRs and meal charges.

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4. Inquiries. Direct questions to the appropriate Regional Office.

5. Attachment. Copy of February 1, 1993, Federal Register Notice