Note to the Reviewer

Subject: Cognitive testing of additional questions for the Current Population Survey Displaced Worker Supplement (OMB Control Number 1220-0104)

During the OMB clearance process for the 2010 Current Population Survey Displaced Worker Supplement, a comment was received that suggested the addition of several questions and/or response categories to existing questions in order to obtain more information about health insurance. The addition of questions or response categories would require cognitive testing before implementation to ensure the changes do not adversely affect the overall findings. In response to the comment, OMB issued terms of clearance for Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) to report to OMB on discussions between BLS and the sponsor, Employment and Training Administration (ETA), regarding potential cognitive testing for revising existing items or for assessing potential new items, such as those suggested in the public comment. See NOA for ICR Reference Number 200908-1220-001.

The BLS shared and discussed these suggested changes with ETA. ETA indicated that they do not have the resources for cognitive testing of new items at this time; therefore, no additional questions are planned at present.