**Supporting Statement – Part B**

**Local Area Unemployment Statistics**

1. **Collection of Information Employing Statistical Methods**

Refer to the attached LAUS Program Manual for details.

As of 2015, the LAUS Program will implement several changes originating from research related to its 2015 Redesign. Notable among these changes is the incorporation of data from the American Community Survey (ACS) from the Census Bureau. Changes incorporating ACS data are explained in the two reports included as addenda “substate\_emp.pdf” and “substate\_unemp.pdf”. Additional changes to our methodology are described in “gen4models.pdf”. All of these documents are available to the public at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/lauschanges2015.htm>.