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Subject: Significant Migrant and Seasonal Farm Worker (MSFW) Designations

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States have a responsibility under the Wagner-Peyser Act to provide employment services, benefits, and protections to MSFWs on a basis that is equivalent and proportionate to services provided to non-MSFWs. In order to ensure that employment services are appropriately provided to MSFWs, DOL designates particular states and one-stop centers as Significant MSFW States, Significant MSFW One-Stop Centers, and Significant Multilingual MSFW One-Stop Centers on an annual basis. Such designations are made in accordance with the number of MSFWs who participate or are estimated to be available to participate in employment services.

South Carolina is designated as a Significant MSFW State. Further, the following are designated as Significant MSFW One-Stop Centers, as well as Significant Multilingual MSFW One-Stop Centers where 10 percent or more of MSFW participants are estimated to require service provision in a language other than English: Beaufort, Charleston, Greenwood, Spartanburg, and Sumter.

Whether designated as "Significant" or not, all states must ensure that MSFWs receive the full range of career services as defined in WIOA sec. 134(c)(2). To this end, staff at all SC Works Centers must provide MSFWs a list of available career and supportive services in their native language. In addition, staff must offer MSFWs the full range of career and supportive services, benefits and protections, and job and training referral services as are provided to non-MSFWs. The services include the provision of:

- labor exchange services, including job search and placement assistance;
- career counseling and individual counseling;
- information on in-demand industry sectors and occupations;
- information on nontraditional employment;
- referrals to and coordination of activities with other programs and services; and
- workforce and labor market employment statistics information.

For those states designated as "Significant," DOL measures compliance with minimum service level indicators. For more information, please see attached Training and Employment Guidance Letter 20-16.