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TO: WIA Board Staff

FROM: Eddie Foreman, Director

DATE: May 17, 2000

SUBJECT: Oklahoma's Interim Final Policy on the WIA Employment Generating Activities.

MESSAGE: To transmit Oklahoma's Interim Final Policy on the WIA prohibition on employment generating activities. Comments must be submitted by June 16, 2000. Please send comments to me electronically using my e-mail address.

WIA Title I funds may not be spent on employment generating activities, economic development, and other similar activities, unless they are directly related to training for eligible individuals. For purposes of this section, employer outreach and job development activities are directly related to training for eligible individuals.

These employer outreach and job development activities include:

- Contacts with potential employers for the purpose of placement of WIA participants;
- Participants in business associations (such as chambers of commerce);
- WIA staff participation on economic development boards and commission, and work with economic development agencies, to:
 1. Provide information about WIA programs,
 2. Assist in making informed decisions about community job training needs, and
 3. Promote the use of first source hiring agreements and enterprise zone vouchering services,
- Active participation in local business resource centers (incubators) to provide technical assistance to small and new business to reduce the rate of business failure;
- Subscriptions to relevant publications

- General dissemination of information on WIA programs and activities;
- The conduct of labor market surveys;
- The development of on-the-job training opportunities; and
- Other allowable WIA activities in the private sector. [WIA sec. 181(e)].

WIA sec. 181(e) — Limitation on Use of Funds

No funds available under this title shall be used for employment generating activities, economic development activities, investment in revolving loan funds, capitalization of businesses, investment in contract bidding resource centers, and similar activities that are not directly related to training for eligible individuals under this title. No funds available under subtitle B shall be used for foreign travel.

ACTION: Please distribute this issuance to appropriate staff and include it as part of your permanent records.

INQUIRIES: Questions may be directed to your Planning Coordinator or Mike Clark at 405/557-5339.

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