



May 5, 2020

MEMORANDUM FOR: JOHN P. PALLASCH
Acting Assistant Secretary
for Employment and Training

Elliot P. Lewis

FROM: ELLIOT P. LEWIS
Assistant Inspector General
for Audit

SUBJECT: Audit of Unemployment Insurance Self-Certification
Fraud Detection under the Pandemic Unemployment
Assistance Program

Please be advised the Office of Inspector General is initiating an audit of the self-certification process used by States to determine claimant eligibility. The audit will focus on States participating in the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance Program and the actions taken to deter and detect fraud relating to self-certifications.

We will contact your audit liaison to schedule an entrance conference to discuss the audit's objective, scope, and methodology. Due to the urgency of this work, we would like to have an entrance conference the week of May 11, 2020, and plan to begin work immediately after the entrance conference. We would appreciate your notifying appropriate agency officials of our plans.

If you have any questions, please contact Dwight Gates, Audit Director, at (678) 637-4659.

cc: Gay M. Gilbert, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, ETA
Jim Garner, Acting Administrator, ETA Office of Unemployment Insurance
Greg Hitchcock, Special Assistant, ETA Office of Grants Management
Julie Cerruti, ETA Audit Liaison