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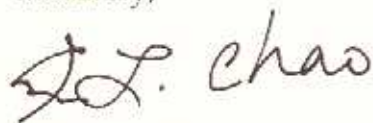
Mr. Eric J. Oxfeld
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Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Mr. Oxfeld:

Thank you for your letter concerning reform of the unemployment insurance and employment service (UI/ES) programs. We greatly appreciate your interest and commitment to these future reform efforts. Indeed, your participation and leadership in reform has been and will continue to be vital to our success. We know that enactment of UI/ES reform legislation will take time, but we are committed to continuing our work, and will keep your views in mind as we consider reform legislation during the 108th Congress.

We look forward to working with you on UI/ES reform. If you have any questions, please contact Emily Stover DeRocco at (202) 693-2700 or via e-mail at derocco-emily@dol.gov.

Sincerely,



Elaine L. Chao