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Subject FW: Comments on Census Bureau public employment

program

From: Art L AYRE [mailto:art.l.ayre@state.or.us] Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2009 1:07 PM

To: Hynek, Diana Cc: Graham J SLATER

Subject: Comments on Census Bureau public employment program

Dear Ms. Hynek,

I am writing in response to the September 30, 2009 Federal Register request (page 50164) for comments on the continuation of the Census Bureau's public employment program. Our agency uses U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics public-sector employment data that, we understand, rely for their accuracy on the public employment program of the Census Bureau. We see value in the continuation of this program, as the information is useful in our analysis of our state's economy.

We encourage the OMB to approve the continuation of the public employment program in order to ensure the provision of quality data on government employment and wages. Thank you for inviting and considering our input on this issue.

Sincerely,

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