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Alaska Workers May Be Eligible for Unemployment Tax Refunds

(Juneau) – Alaska Department of Labor & Workforce Development Commissioner Greg O'Claray announced today that some Alaska workers may be eligible for unemployment tax refunds if they worked for more than one employer during 2005.

“Workers who had more than \$139.50 in unemployment taxes deducted for the year because they had more than one employer can apply for a refund of any deduction over that amount,” said O'Claray.

Alaska is one of just three states where both the employer and the worker contribute to the fund from which unemployment benefits are paid. State statutes provide for a refund to any worker who contributes in excess of the annual contribution maximum of \$139.50 per employee.

Unemployment taxes are usually designated as ESC, ESD, UI or SUI on an individual's W-2 form. Requests for refunds must be made in writing with proof of earnings by Dec. 31, 2006.

The refund form is available on the Department's web site at:
www.labor.state.ak.us/estax/forms/eerefund.pdf.

Forms are also available from the Department's Employment Security Tax Office in Juneau at 907-465-2757; toll free at 888-448-3527; or by mailed request to: Alaska Department of Labor & Workforce Development, Employment Security Tax Office, P.O. Box 115509, Juneau, AK 99811-5509. Tax preparers may also have forms available.

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