

the taxable year for which the delay is requested.

(2) The UIS Director will determine whether delay is or is not granted on the basis of seasonally unadjusted civilian total unemployment rate data published by the Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics.

§ 606.43 Maintenance of solvency effort.

(a) *Applicability.* Legislative-action interest deferrals obtained under subsection (b)(8) (A) through (C) of section 1202 of the Social Security Act are no longer available. Nevertheless, States must maintain their solvency effort with respect to any such deferrals approved in 1983, 1984, and 1985 in order for the deferral to continue to apply in each subsequent year of deferral.

(b) *Determination regarding maintenance of solvency effort.* (1) The UIS Director shall determine if there is a net reduction in solvency effort by first estimating revenue receipts and benefit outlays under the law in effect in the 12-month period ending on September 30 of the year for which continuation of deferral is requested as if it were effective in the base year (12-month period for which the first deferral was granted).

(2) The UIS Director shall then compare revenue receipts and benefit outlays for the base year (previously estimated at the time of the original deferral) with revenue receipts and benefit outlays estimated in paragraph (b)(1) of this section.

(3) If the sum of—

(i) The percentage increase in revenue receipts from the base year to the year for which the continuation of deferral is requested (as estimated in paragraph (b)(1) of this section), and

(ii) The percentage decrease in benefit outlays from the base year to the year for which the continuation of deferral is requested (as estimated in paragraph (b)(1) of this section),

is equal to or greater than the sum of such percentages achieved for the 12-month period ending on September 30 of the year for which the latest deferral was obtained, the State will have maintained its solvency effort, but if less, then a reduction in solvency effort will have occurred.

(4) Notwithstanding the results of the calculation in paragraph (b)(3) of this section, if there is no increase in revenue receipts or no decrease in benefit outlays between the base year and the year for which continuation of deferral is requested, then a reduction in solvency effort will have occurred.

(c) *Effect of determination.* (1) If the UIS Director determines that a State has maintained its solvency effort, continuation of deferral will be granted, and the State will be required to timely pay the deferred interest payable prior to October 1 of the year with respect to which such determination is made.

(2) If the UIS Director determines that a State failed to maintain its solvency effort, all deferred interest shall be due and payable prior to October 1 of the year with respect to which such determination is made.

(d) *Application and information.* (1) The Governor of a State which has decided to request continuation of a previously approved deferral of interest payments shall apply to the Secretary of Labor no later than July 1 of the year for which continuation is requested. The Governor is required to notify the Department on or before September 1 of such taxable year of any action impacting upon the State's application which has occurred or will occur subsequent to the date of the initial application and on or before September 30.

(2) In support of the application by the Governor, there shall be submitted for the purposes of the estimates required in paragraph (b) of this section documentation as specified in § 606.22 (b)(1) through (4), (c) and (f) and bearing upon the application for continuation of deferral, in terms of the relevant comparison between revenue receipts and benefit outlays.

§ 606.44 Notification of determinations.

The UIS Director will make determinations under §§ 606.41, 606.42, and 606.43 on or before September 10 of the taxable year, will promptly notify the applicants and the Secretary of the Treasury of such determinations, and will cause notice of such determinations to be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER. The UIS Director also will

inform the Secretary of the Treasury and cause notice to be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER of information with respect to delayed payment of interest as provided in § 606.40.

PART 609—UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR FEDERAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES

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Subpart A—General Provisions

§ 609.1 Purpose and application.

(a) *Purpose.* Subchapter I of chapter 85, title 5 of the United States Code, as amended by Pub. L. 94-566, 90 Stat.

2667, 5 U.S.C. 8501-8508, provides for a permanent program of unemployment compensation for unemployed Federal civilian employees. The unemployment compensation provided for in subchapter I is hereinafter referred to as unemployment compensation for Federal employees, or UCFE. The regulations in this part are issued to implement the UCFE Program.

(b) *First rule of construction.* The Act and the implementing regulations in this part shall be construed liberally so as to carry out the purposes of the Act.

(c) *Second rule of construction.* The Act and the implementing regulations in this part shall be construed so as to assure insofar as possible the uniform interpretation and application of the Act throughout the United States.

(d) *Effectuating purpose and rules of construction.* (1) In order to effectuate the provisions of this section, each State agency shall forward to the United States Department of Labor (hereafter Department), not later than 10 days after issuance, a copy of each judicial or administrative decision ruling on an individual's entitlement to payment of UCFE or to credit for a waiting period. On request of the Department, a State agency shall forward to the Department a copy of any determination or redetermination ruling on an individual's entitlement to UCFE or waiting period credit.

(2) If the Department believes that a determination, redetermination, or decision is inconsistent with the Department's interpretation of the Act or this part, the Department may at any time notify the State agency of the Department's view. Thereafter the State agency shall issue a redetermination or appeal if possible, and shall not follow such determination, redetermination, or decision as a precedent; and, in any subsequent proceedings which involve such determination, redetermination, or decision, or wherein such determination, redetermination, or decision is cited as precedent or otherwise relied upon, the State agency shall inform the claims deputy or hearing officer or court of the Department's view and shall make all reasonable efforts, including appeal or other proceedings in an appropriate forum, to obtain modification, limitation, or overruling of