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## MEMORANDUM

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FROM: Robert T. Cunningham

**DATE:** June 26, 2015

SUBJECT: JUNE 2015 UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE TRUST FUND REPORT

The attached June Unemployemnt Insurance Trust Fund Report provides information on the trust fund status through the end of May 2015 Projections for the private contributory account for 2015 through 2019 remained as published in the May Outlook Report.

The report highlights include:

The May 2015 private contributory account balance was \$1.002 billion, \$52.6 million less than projected due to lower than expected employer contributions in the months of April and May.

Employer contribution projections for 2015 through 2017 are based on a \$15,000 contributory wage base and the recently enacted new experience rate schedule C.

The 2015 outlook for benefit payments is \$1.471 billion; employer contributions are estimated at \$1.503 billion and the year-end private contributory account balance is expected to be \$890 million.

Under the current economic assumptions the projections indicate that no borrowing from the federal unemployment account will be required in the 2015 through 2019 outlook period.

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