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TO: Agency Directors and Policy Manual Users

FROM: Sadie Rodriguez-Hawkins, Senior Assistant Director Accounting Division

SUBJECT: REVISIONS TO CHAPTER 10: TRAVEL AND CHAPTER 25: PAYROLL

We have revised Subsection 10.90.20 of the *State Administrative & Accounting Manual* (SAAM). This change becomes effective **January 1, 2007**, and adopts the rate for privately owned vehicles set by the United States Treasury Department as allowed by RCW 43.03.060.

Subsection 10.90.20 (<u>http://www.ofm.wa.gov/policy/10.90.htm</u>) – **Reimbursement Rates for Lodging, Meals and Private Vehicle Mileage** has been revised to reflect the new reimbursement rate for mileage as follows:

Vehicle	Old Rate/Mile	<u>New Rate/Mile</u>
Privately Owned Vehicles	\$.445	\$.485

Files containing a color copy of the state of Washington per diem map are on the Office of Financial Management's (OFM) Administrative and Accounting Resources web site at http://www.ofm.wa.gov/resources/travel.asp.

Additionally, we have revised **Subsection 25.70.30.e**, **Amounts due to deceased employees** (<u>http://www.ofm.wa.gov/policy/25.70.htm</u>). The amount that agencies may pay a successor/claimant when certain conditions are met has been increased to reflect a change in RCW 11.62.010. This change was effective June 7, 2006, the effective date of the statute change.

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Please replace Chapter 10, table of contents and pages 45-47, and Chapter 25, table of contents and pages 55-68 in your policy manual.

The policies and procedures prescribed in SAAM are the minimum requirements that state agencies must meet. An agency may adopt more restrictive or detailed policies as long as the agency meets the required minimum standards.

We encourage you to use the online version of SAAM. All OFM directives, policies, technical corrections, and superseded policies are available at: <u>http://www.ofm.wa.gov/policy/default.asp</u>.

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Attachments