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Highlights of Report Number: 06-07-006-02-201, to the Veterans' Employment and Training Service.

WHY READ THE REPORT

On April 1 2006, the Governor of Texas transferred responsibility for the Disabled Veterans' Outreach Program (DVOP) and the Local Veterans' Employment Representatives (LVER) program grant (Jobs for Veterans State Grant) from the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) to the Texas Veterans' Commission (TVC).

Prior to this transfer, the U.S. Department of Labor's (DOL) Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS) had requested that TWC complete an independent audit of the grant in order to ensure a smooth transition to TVC. In response, TWC provided the Single Audit prepared by the Texas State Auditor's Office – but it did not address VETS' specific request.

WHY OIG DID THE AUDIT

VETS requested that the DOL Office of Inspector General (OIG) conduct an audit to address concerns it had regarding the grant, primarily in the areas of expenses being charged by the Local Workforce Boards, Post-Retirement Health Benefit (PRHB) costs, and reporting of unliquidated obligations.

READ THE FULL REPORT

To view the report, including the scope, methodology, and full agency response, go to:

<http://www.oig.dol.gov/public/reports/oa/2007/06-07-006-02-201.pdf>

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TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION JOBS FOR VETERANS STATE GRANT

WHAT OIG FOUND

The OIG found \$17,905 in unsupported rent allocation costs at the Central Texas Workforce Board (CTWB).

We determined that TWC's charging of PRHB costs directly to the grant is allowable, based on Office of Management and Budget Circular A-87 guidance.

We also concluded that TWC reported its unliquidated obligations in accordance with Standard Form 269 instructions.

WHAT OIG RECOMMENDED

We recommended that the Assistant Secretary for Veterans' Employment and Training disallow and recover the \$17,905 in unsupported rent charges.

TWC and CTWB agreed to our findings and recommendation and have initiated corrective action.