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SUBJECT: Employees' Manual, Title 4, Chapter L, **ALIENS AND MIGRANTS**, page 31, revised.

Summary

Chapter 4-L is revised to update the qualifying quarters chart for 2013 and 2014.

Effective Date

Upon receipt.

Material Superseded

This material replaces the following pages from Employees' Manual, Title 4, Chapter L:

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Additional Information

Refer questions about this general letter to your area income maintenance administrator.

Establishing Qualifying Quarters

Procedure:

When a lawful permanent resident (LPR) is not otherwise exempt from sponsor deeming, you must determine the number of qualifying quarters with which the person can be credited. LPRs become exempt from sponsor deeming when they can be credited with 40 qualifying quarters.

The following chart lists the amount a person had to earn to get one credit for the years 1978 and later. For years before 1978, contact SPIRS for assistance.)

Amount Needed to Earn a Qualifying Quarter			
Year	Earnings Needed to Get One Credit	Year	Earnings Needed to Get One Credit
1978	\$250	1997	\$670
1979	\$260	1998	\$700
1980	\$290	1999	\$740
1981	\$310	2000	\$780
1982	\$340	2001	\$830
1983	\$370	2002	\$870
1984	\$390	2003	\$890
1985	\$410	2004	\$900
1986	\$440	2005	\$920
1987	\$460	2006	\$970
1988	\$470	2007	\$1,000
1989	\$500	2008	\$1,050
1990	\$520	2009	\$1,090
1991	\$540	2010	\$1,120
1992	\$570	2011	\$1,120
1993	\$590	2012	\$1,130
1994	\$620	2013	\$1,160
1995	\$630	2014	\$1,200
1996	\$640		

To calculate the number of quarters for a year, divide the person's total earnings for the year by the amount needed to get one credit. Use only full quarters. For example, 2.95 quarters are rounded down to 2 quarters.