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Subject: District of Columbia request to extend ABAWD exemption

Mid-Atlantic Region

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Robbinsville, NJ
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To: Arthur Foley
Director
Program Development Division

Attached for your review is a request from the District of Columbia to extend its waiver making it an ABAWD exempt area. The District has again been designated a Labor Surplus Area for 2001 by the Department of Labor and requests that its ABAWD exemption status be extended on that basis. We recommend approval.

If you have any questions please contact this office.

Joe Weingart
JOSEPH WEINGART
Regional Director
Food Stamp Program

Attachment

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

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Income Maintenance Administration



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Mr. Joseph Weingart
Director
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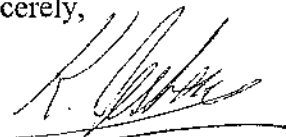
Dear Mr. Weingart:

The District of Columbia requests an extension of its waiver of Section 824 of the Food Stamp Amendments contained in the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996. The Department of Labor recently designated the District of Columbia a Labor Surplus Area (LSA) for fiscal year 2001.

While in the past we have provided additional data supporting our request, your response to a previous request informed us that "LSA is a sufficient basis for a waiver."

We appreciate your consideration of this request. If you desire additional information, do not hesitate to contact me at (202) 698-3902. Thank you for your continued cooperation and assistance as we administer the Food Stamp Program in the District of Columbia.

Sincerely,


Kate Jesberg

cc: Carolyn W. Colvin, Director
Department of Human Services

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