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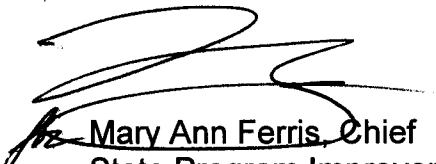
Date: September 16, 2004

Subject: Request to Modify and Extend ABAWD Waiver # 970315

To: Harriet Kornegay, Assistant Branch Chief
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Enclosed is a September 13, 2004 request from the Maine Department of Health and Human Services to extend waiver # 970315. The State Agency requests to waive the work requirements for able-bodied adults without dependents (ABAWDS) residing in areas in which the unemployment rate exceeds 10% and/or exceeds the national average by 20% for the same time period.

If you have any questions regarding this waiver request, please contact Adam Schuster at (617) 565-6400.


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