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Dennis Stewart, Regional Director  
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Dear Mr. Stewart:

Enclosed for your consideration is a request to renew Oregon's Labor Surplus waiver #2000039. FNS originally approved this waiver on 4/21/2000. The waiver allows Able-Bodied Adults Without Dependents (ABAWDs) to be exempt from the three-month time limit for food stamps. Per the 2/3/06 memo posted on the Partner Web, we are requesting another two-year renewal. Oregon proposes to extend the current waiver for the period of May 1, 2008 through April 30, 2010.

The aggregate average unemployment rate for all 36 of Oregon's counties from April 2005 to March 2007 was 5.7; this is 20 percent greater than the national unemployment rate for the same time period.

Should you have any questions about this waiver request, please contact Sandy Ambrose at (503) 945-6092. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Vic Todd, Administrator  
Office of Self-Sufficiency Programs  
Children, Adults and Families Division  
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Enclosure

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