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July 15, 2011

Ms. Jody Cornwell, Regional Director
USDA, FNS, Mountain Plains Region
1244 Speer Boulevard, Suite 903
Denver, CO 80204

Dear Ms. Cornwell:

Enclosed please find our waiver extension and modification request of waiver #970125 for North Dakota. This waiver extension request is to waive the work requirements for ABAWDS for Rolette and Pierce Counties. Rolette County qualifies based on having average unemployment rates of at least 20 percent above the national average during January 2008 through December 2009. Pierce County qualifies for a waiver based on the area's aggregate average unemployment rate, which is at least 20 percent above the national average during January 2008 through December 2009. Supporting data is attached.

We plan to use 15% exempt criteria for all counties in the state for FFY 2012 except for Pierce and Rolette Counties.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact our office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Arlene Dura".

Arlene Dura, Director
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

Enclosures