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Ms. Bonnie Brathwaite, Director
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Northeast Region
United States Department of Agriculture
10 Causeway Street, Room 501
Boston, MA 02222

RE: 2150020 – Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
Request to Modify Waiver of 3 Month Time Limit for Able Bodied Adults Without Dependents in
Certain Towns **7 CFR 273.24(f)**

Dear Ms. Brathwaite:

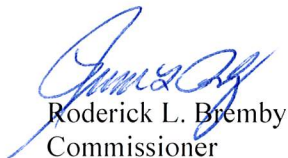
Please see the enclosed request to modify Connecticut's waiver #2150020. The waiver exempts Able Bodied Adults Without Dependents (ABAWDs) who live in towns with an insufficient number of jobs from the 3-month SNAP time limit.

Connecticut currently exempts ABAWDs from the 3-month time limit in 82 cities and towns. FNS previously approved Connecticut's request to extend and modify the waiver effective January 1, 2017, expanding the waiver to include a total of 116 cities and towns.

Based on the latest unemployment information, we now request modification of the waiver to include 7 additional towns, increasing the total number of cities and towns to 123 effective January 1, 2017. Connecticut also requests to use our 2016 15% ABAWD-exemption slots to maintain eligibility for ABAWDs residing in cities and towns in 2016 that will become exempt from the 3-month limit in 2017 and who would otherwise experience a loss of benefits in 2016 due to the time limit.

Enclosed is data supporting this request. If you have any questions or if you need any additional information, please contact Marc Shok, SNAP Director, at 860-424-5246.

Sincerely,



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cc: Janel Simpson, Deputy Commissioner
Marc Shok, SNAP Director