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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 Extend and 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 modification and extension request for 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. We are requesting approval to expand the waiver in 2017 to include 116 cities and towns based on the latest unemployment information.

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

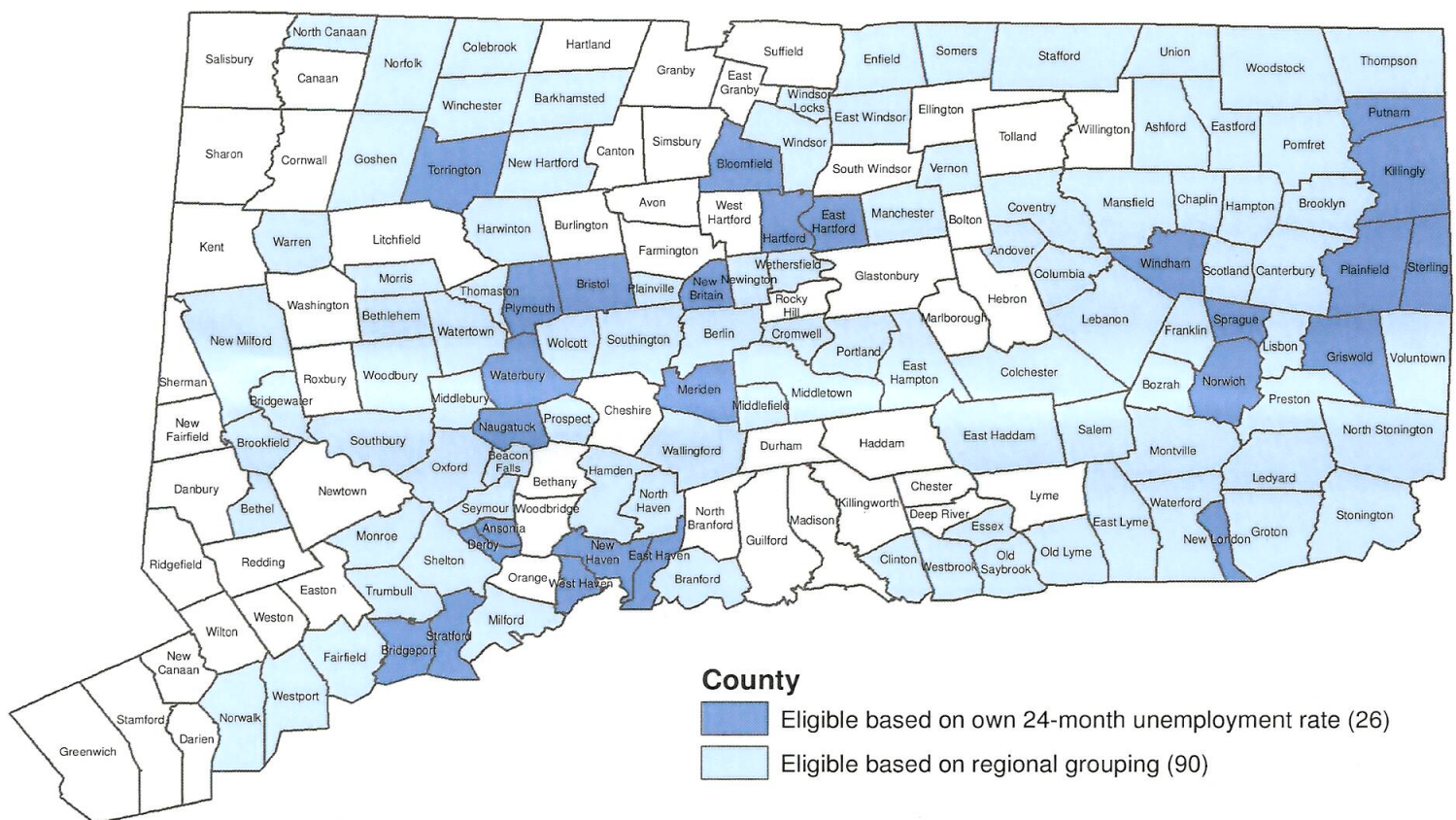
Sincerely,


Roderick L. Bremby
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cc: Janel Simpson, Deputy Commissioner
Marc Shok, Director of Eligibility Policy and Economic Security

116 Towns in Connecticut are Eligible for Waivers in 2017



**AREAS IN CONNECTICUT THAT ARE ELIGIBLE FOR WAIVERS ON THE BASIS OF
MAY 2014 - APR 2016
UNEMPLOYMENT RATES**

Step 1
Step 2
Step 3
Step 4

Please see worksheet entitled "Step 1" for monthly labor force numbers
Please see worksheet entitled "Step 2" for 24-month labor force totals
Please see worksheet entitled "Step 3" for monthly unemployed numbers
Please see worksheet entitled "Step 4" for 24-month unemployed totals

from Step 2	from Step 4
MAY 2014 - APR 2016	MAY 2014 - APR 2016

**Total
labor force**

**Total number
of unemployed**

U.S. National Average

3,769,709

205,646

20% Above the National Average Threshold

Regional Grouping of Contiguous Towns

Andover town, CT	46,197	2,198
Ansonia city/town, CT	227,349	18,917
Ashford town, CT	60,779	2,970
Barkhamsted town, CT	55,162	2,705
Beacon Falls town, CT	81,728	4,418
Berlin town, CT	279,953	13,559
Bethel town, CT	256,936	12,514
Bethlehem town, CT	46,981	2,310
Bloomfield town, CT	274,463	17,795
Bozrah town, CT	34,779	2,013
Branford town, CT	382,511	20,003
Bridgeport city/town, CT	1,711,992	155,693
Bridgewater town, CT	20,658	991
Bristol city/town, CT	790,184	52,860

Brookfield town, CT	223,634	10,369
Brooklyn town, CT	98,371	6,076
Canterbury town, CT	68,674	4,181
Chaplin town, CT	29,922	1,865
Clinton town, CT	174,524	8,664
Colchester town, CT	224,770	10,598
Colebrook town, CT	20,193	947
Columbia town, CT	77,224	3,747
Coventry town, CT	184,543	8,645
Cromwell town, CT	190,071	9,405
Derby city/town, CT	165,119	11,929
East Haddam town, CT	119,868	6,210
East Hampton town, CT	181,930	8,261
East Hartford town, CT	659,234	50,329
East Haven town, CT	378,362	25,030
East Lyme town, CT	207,167	11,180
East Windsor town, CT	155,512	9,403
Eastford town, CT	22,366	979
Enfield town, CT	551,486	31,809
Essex town, CT	79,909	3,906
Fairfield town, CT	696,717	34,033
Franklin town, CT	25,904	1,428
Goshen town, CT	39,607	1,889
Griswold town, CT	152,080	10,909
Groton town, CT	444,784	24,192
Hamden town, CT	839,652	44,299
Hampton town, CT	24,648	1,349
Hartford city/town, CT	1,301,622	141,853
Harwinton town, CT	76,818	3,495
Killingly town, CT	229,780	16,393
Lebanon town, CT	97,662	4,959
Ledyard town, CT	191,055	9,709
Lisbon town, CT	56,289	3,500
Manchester town, CT	783,543	45,269

Mansfield town, CT	300,007	16,100
Meriden city/town, CT	773,347	58,093
Middlebury town, CT	91,265	4,136
Middlefield town, CT	59,946	2,886
Middletown city/town, CT	627,049	36,831
Milford (consolidated) city/town, CT	714,204	36,878
Monroe town, CT	245,228	12,714
Montville town, CT	225,958	14,245
Morris town, CT	34,350	1,578
Naugatuck borough/town, CT	415,642	28,328
New Britain city/town, CT	880,913	74,991
New Hartford town, CT	95,593	4,792
New Haven city/town, CT	1,542,773	121,422
New London city/town, CT	290,426	25,004
New Milford town, CT	371,921	18,415
Newington town, CT	412,993	20,407
Norfolk town, CT	21,738	1,128
North Canaan town, CT	40,820	1,948
North Haven town, CT	318,474	15,647
North Stonington town, CT	69,640	3,558
Norwalk city/town, CT	1,206,012	61,158
Norwich city/town, CT	489,993	36,649
Old Lyme town, CT	89,865	4,224
Old Saybrook town, CT	121,461	5,888
Oxford town, CT	170,649	8,403
Plainfield town, CT	207,792	15,186
Plainville town, CT	249,592	13,848
Plymouth town, CT	161,002	11,300
Pomfret town, CT	59,176	2,540
Portland town, CT	130,707	6,431
Preston town, CT	58,204	3,447
Prospect town, CT	132,637	6,549
Putnam town, CT	116,035	8,030
Salem town, CT	50,807	2,790

Scotland town, CT	22,908	1,211
Seymour town, CT	216,417	13,627
Shelton city/town, CT	530,786	29,905
Somers town, CT	123,545	6,147
Southbury town, CT	211,865	11,184
Southington town, CT	580,564	28,253
Sprague town, CT	39,111	2,681
Stafford town, CT	163,526	10,172
Sterling town, CT	48,727	3,733
Stonington town, CT	229,915	11,567
Stratford town, CT	664,797	44,910
Thomaston town, CT	113,191	5,895
Thompson town, CT	124,766	6,969
Torrington city/town, CT	476,138	30,998
Trumbull town, CT	434,657	21,270
Union town, CT	11,093	542
Vernon town, CT	408,967	23,517
Voluntown town, CT	35,675	2,141
Wallingford town, CT	626,716	31,721
Warren town, CT	19,196	962
Waterbury city/town, CT	1,227,201	118,143
Waterford town, CT	243,250	12,887
Watertown town, CT	311,301	15,804
West Haven city/town, CT	720,527	51,516
Westbrook town, CT	86,216	4,413
Westport town, CT	299,370	13,012
Wethersfield town, CT	335,158	17,079
Winchester town, CT	151,614	9,473
Windham town, CT	298,995	21,935
Windsor Locks town, CT	176,022	10,113
Windsor town, CT	395,673	22,504
Wolcott town, CT	235,051	11,577
Woodbury town, CT	132,777	6,004
Woodstock town, CT	99,083	4,926

Total for Region

33,613,729

2,168,091

Source: Local Area Unemployment Statistics, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Dept. of Labor
Underlying data are available at www.bls.gov/lau/, and are attached.

Step 5		Step 6		Step
MAY 2014 - APR 2016	MAY 2014 - APR 2016	MAY 2014 - APR 2016	MAY 2014 - APR 2016	MAY 2014
Average Unemployment Rate (unrounded)	Average Unemployment Rate (4 decimal places)	Average Unemployment Rate (multiply by 100)	Average Unemployment Rate (one decir	
0.054552	0.0545	5.45	5.5	
	0.0654	6.54	6.5	
0.047579	0.0475	4.75	4.8	
0.083207	0.0832	8.32	8.3	
0.048866	0.0488	4.88	4.9	
0.049037	0.0490	4.90	4.9	
0.054057	0.0540	5.40	5.4	
0.048433	0.0484	4.84	4.8	
0.048705	0.0487	4.87	4.9	
0.049169	0.0491	4.91	4.9	
0.064836	0.0648	6.48	6.5	
0.057880	0.0578	5.78	5.8	
0.052294	0.0522	5.22	5.2	
0.090943	0.0909	9.09	9.1	
0.047972	0.0479	4.79	4.8	
0.066896	0.0668	6.68	6.7	

0.046366	0.0463	4.6
0.061766	6.17	6.2
0.060882	6.08	6.1
0.062329	6.23	6.2
0.049644	4.96	5.0
0.047150	4.71	4.7
0.046897	4.68	4.7
0.048521	4.85	4.9
0.046845	4.68	4.7
0.049482	4.94	4.9
0.072245	7.22	7.2
0.051807	5.18	5.2
0.045408	4.54	4.5
0.076345	7.63	7.6
0.066154	6.61	6.6
0.053966	5.39	5.4
0.060465	6.04	6.0
0.043772	4.37	4.4
0.057679	5.76	5.8
0.048881	4.88	4.9
0.048848	4.88	4.9
0.055127	5.51	5.5
0.047694	4.76	4.8
0.071732	7.17	7.2
0.054390	5.43	5.4
0.052759	5.27	5.3
0.054731	5.47	5.5
0.108982	10.89	10.9
0.045497	4.54	4.5
0.071342	7.13	7.1
0.050777	5.07	5.1
0.050818	5.08	5.1
0.062179	6.21	6.2
0.057775	5.77	5.8

0.053665	0.0536	5.36	5.4
0.075119	0.0751	7.51	7.5
0.045319	0.0453	4.53	4.5
0.048143	0.0481	4.81	4.8
0.058737	0.0587	5.87	5.9
0.051635	0.0516	5.16	5.2
0.051846	0.0518	5.18	5.2
0.063043	0.0630	6.30	6.3
0.045939	0.0459	4.59	4.6
0.068155	0.0681	6.81	6.8
0.085129	0.0851	8.51	8.5
0.050129	0.0501	5.01	5.0
0.078704	0.0787	7.87	7.9
0.086094	0.0860	8.60	8.6
0.049513	0.0495	4.95	5.0
0.049412	0.0494	4.94	4.9
0.051891	0.0518	5.18	5.2
0.047722	0.0477	4.77	4.8
0.049131	0.0491	4.91	4.9
0.051091	0.0510	5.10	5.1
0.050711	0.0507	5.07	5.1
0.074795	0.0747	7.47	7.5
0.047004	0.0470	4.70	4.7
0.048476	0.0484	4.84	4.8
0.049241	0.0492	4.92	4.9
0.073083	0.0730	7.30	7.3
0.055483	0.0554	5.54	5.5
0.070185	0.0701	7.01	7.0
0.042923	0.0429	4.29	4.3
0.049202	0.0492	4.92	4.9
0.059223	0.0592	5.92	5.9
0.049375	0.0493	4.93	4.9
0.069203	0.0692	6.92	6.9
0.054914	0.0549	5.49	5.5

0.052864	0.0528	5.28	5.3
0.062966	0.0629	6.29	6.3
0.056341	0.0563	5.63	5.6
0.049755	0.0497	4.97	5.0
0.052788	0.0527	5.27	5.3
0.048665	0.0486	4.86	4.9
0.068548	0.0685	6.85	6.9
0.062204	0.0622	6.22	6.2
0.076611	0.0766	7.66	7.7
0.050310	0.0503	5.03	5.0
0.067554	0.0675	6.75	6.8
0.052080	0.0520	5.20	5.2
0.055857	0.0558	5.58	5.6
0.065103	0.0651	6.51	6.5
0.048935	0.0489	4.89	4.9
0.048860	0.0488	4.88	4.9
0.057503	0.0575	5.75	5.8
0.060014	0.0600	6.00	6.0
0.050615	0.0506	5.06	5.1
0.050115	0.0501	5.01	5.0
0.096270	0.0962	9.62	9.6
0.052978	0.0529	5.29	5.3
0.050768	0.0507	5.07	5.1
0.071498	0.0714	7.14	7.1
0.051185	0.0511	5.11	5.1
0.043465	0.0434	4.34	4.3
0.050958	0.0509	5.09	5.1
0.062481	0.0624	6.24	6.2
0.073362	0.0733	7.33	7.3
0.057453	0.0574	5.74	5.7
0.056875	0.0568	5.68	5.7
0.049253	0.0492	4.92	4.9
0.045219	0.0452	4.52	4.5
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