



***Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Executive Office of Health and Human Services
Department of Transitional Assistance***

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September 18, 2017

Bonnie Brathwaite
SNAP Division Director
FNS/NERO
10 Causeway Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02222

Re: FFY 2018 ABAWD Geographic Waiver Request

Dear Ms. Brathwaite,

Enclosed is the Massachusetts Department of Transitional Assistance's (DTA) request modify and extend waiver number 2150057.

Under 7 CFR 273.24(f), upon the request of a State agency, the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) may waive the applicability of the Able Bodied Adults Without Dependents (ABAWD) time limit for any group of individuals in the State if FNS makes a determination that the area in which the individuals reside does not have a sufficient number of jobs to provide employment for the individuals. DTA requests to exempt ABAWDs in 62 towns and cities from SNAP time limits at 7 CFR 273.24 from January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018.

If you have questions or require additional information, please contact Miriam Kaufmann, SNAP Assistant Director of Employment and Training Services, at 617-348-5561 or email Miriam at Miriam.Kaufmann@state.ma.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brittany Mangini".

Brittany Mangini
SNAP Director