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Mr. Dwight Crudup, Director
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
Southwest Regional Office
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1100 Commerce St., Room 522
Dallas, Texas 75242

RE: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) – Statewide Waiver for Able-Bodied Adults Without Dependents (ABAWDs) – 7CFR 273.24(f)(2)

Dear Mr. Crudup,

The Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) is requesting an extension of the statewide ABAWD waiver. Louisiana has an unemployment rate greater than 20 percent above the national average for the 24-month period of January 2017 through December 2018. Louisiana's average unemployment rate for this period was 5.0 percent. Our current ABAWD waiver will expire on August 31, 2019. We are requesting an extension of this waiver until August 31, 2020.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Kim Matherne at (225) 219-2428 or by email at Kim.Matherne.DCFS@la.gov.

Sincerely,

Sammy Guillory, Deputy Assistant Secretary
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