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Bonnie Brathwaite
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Dear Ms. Brathwaite:

Enclosed, please find New Hampshire's request for a waiver to exempt certain identified Able Bodied Adults Without Dependents (ABAWDS) from the ABAWD employment and training requirements for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2023. Documentation supporting the State's request is also enclosed.

The identified ABAWDS for whom the exemption is sought live in the towns of Dalton, Stratford, Hale's Location, Pinkham's Grant, Ellsworth, Lincoln and Waterville Valley, New Hampshire. As of July 31, 2022 the total anticipated SNAP caseload for the waived area was 181. The total number of ABAWDs within the caseload was 7.

New Hampshire's waiver request is based on 7 CFR 273.24(f), which allows the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) to waive employment and training requirements for ABAWDS if the area in which the individuals live has either an unemployment rate above 10.0% or does not have a sufficient number of jobs to provide employment for those individuals.

If you have any questions, please contact Bridgette Dukette, Administrator III, at 603-271-9660. She can also be reached at Bridgette.S.Dukette@dhhs.nh.gov.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Bridgette Dukette