



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

August 24, 2010

Mr. William Kluxen
Regional Director
Food and Nutrition Service
United States Department of Agriculture
Mercer Corporate Park
300 Corporate Boulevard
Robbinsville, New Jersey 08691-1598

Dear Mr. Kluxen:

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Under federal regulations at 7 CFR 273.24 (f) (2), a State can qualify for a 12-month statewide ABAWD waiver if the Department of Labor's Unemployment Insurance Service determines it meets the criteria for extended unemployment benefits. Administrative Notice 21-10 indicated that 49 states, including Virginia, met the criteria to extend the ABAWD suspension until September 30, 2011.

This letter is to advise you that Virginia will be taking advantage of this waiver to extend the ABAWD suspension through September 2011.

If you have any questions, please contact Rose Mastracco, SNAP Manager with the Virginia Department of Social Services at (804) 726-7361 or by e-mail at rose.mastracco@dss.virginia.gov

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stein", written over a horizontal line.

Thomas J. Steinhauser, Director
Division of Benefit Programs

CC: Rose Mastracco