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Ashley Krebs
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Dear Ms. Krebs:

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) 2025. Documentation supporting the State's request is also enclosed.

The identified ABAWDS for whom the exemption is sought live in the towns of Stratford and Hale's Location, New Hampshire. As of June 30, 2024 the total anticipated SNAP caseload for the waived area was 65. The total number of ABAWDs within the caseload was 6.

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 does not have a sufficient number of jobs to provide employment for those individuals. 7 CFR 273.23(f)(ii) allows a State to submit evidence that an area has a 24-month average unemployment rate 20% above the national average for the same 24-month period as proof to support a claim of lack of sufficient jobs.

If you have any questions, please contact Jill Brown, Administrator III, at 603-731-8656. She can also be reached at Jill.M.Brown@dhhs.nh.gov.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Jill Brown