State Template – FFCRA SNAP Emergency Allotment Request

States must provide the following to their FNS Regional SNAP contact(s) for each month covered by this request.

State/Territory: South Carolina

1. March 2022 EA Issuance date(s):

South Carolina will be providing EA benefits for ongoing households according to the State's regular SNAP issuance schedule (March 1-19). In addition, SC will supplement our regular monthly issuance schedule with a daily file (March 1-28) to issue EA benefits to newly approved cases. If approved, the first March 2022 Emergency Allotment file will go on March 1st for an availability date of March 2, 2022.

South Carolina is requesting approval of Emergency Allotments based on Administrative Declaration of a Continuing Emergency from the State Director of the SC Department of Social Services.

South Carolina will notify clients of the change in benefit levels via social media posting and our Agency website within 5 business days of approval of this request.

2. March 2022 estimate of the number of households and estimated EA amount: Number of households receiving emergency allotment benefits: 303,742 Amount of emergency allotment benefits issued per month: <u>\$51,074,370</u>

- 3. Confirmation that one or more of the following conditions exists due to COVID-19. (Check all that apply):
 - ☑ Residents of the State are confirmed to have contracted COVID-19
 - ☐ Some or all areas of the State are containment or quarantine zones
 - ☑ Businesses have closed or significantly reduced their hours
 - ✓ The State's residents have experienced economic impacts due to job suspensions or losses
 - ☑ The State's residents have been directed to practice social distancing

And

☑ The State's emergency or disaster declaration remains active

USDA reserves the right to withdraw or otherwise modify this approval subject to availability of funding.