980062

SUBJECT:

FSP - South Dakota - Request to Extend ABAWD Waiver Based on

Labor Surplus Areas

TO:

Rick Perea

Acting Regional Director Food Stamp Program Mountain Plains Region

Attached is our approval of South Dakota's request to extend one of their ABAWD waivers.

If you have any questions, please contact Thomas O'Connell of my staff at (703) 305-2390.

Patrick Waldron

Chief

Certification Policy Branch

Attachment

cc:

Barbara Hallman

PAD - QC Policy

Bob Dalrymple, Mike Depiro, OAE

Civil Rights

All Regions (except WRO)

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## WAIVER REQUEST

1. Waiver serial number: 980062

2. Type of request: Extension

3. Primary regulation citation: 273.24(f)(3)(ii).

4. Secondary regulation citation: None

5. State: South Dakota

6. Region: MPRO

- 7. **Regulatory Requirements**: 273.24(f)(3)(ii) states that a readily approvable ABAWD waiver is one that is based on the current list of Labor Surplus Areas (LSA's) that the US Department of Labor publishes each year. This waiver is based on that provision.
- 8. **Description of proposed alternative procedures**: The South Dakota Department of Social Services requests that the following counties receive a waiver based on their designations as LSA's:
  - Buffalo
  - Campbell
  - Corson
  - Dewey
  - Jackson
  - Mellette
  - Shannon
  - Todd
  - Ziebach

This list can be verified at the website in the US Department of Labor's website: <a href="http://www.workforcesecurity.doleta.gov/employ/pdf/lsajurisdictions03.pdf">http://www.workforcesecurity.doleta.gov/employ/pdf/lsajurisdictions03.pdf</a>

The South Dakota Department of Social Services has asked that Clark County, which is an LSA, not be included.

9. Action and reason for approval or denial:

We are approving this request for a waiver because these counties are LSA's, according to the US Department of Labor.

- 10. Regulatory or legislative basis for action: 273.24(f)(3)(ii).
- 11. Conditions and reasons: None
- 12. Information required for extension: The updated list of Labor Surplus Areas.
- 13. Expiration date: April 30, 2004.
- 14. Limitation on regional office approval of like requests: This waiver is limited to the South Dakota Department of Social Services.
- 15. Quality Control Procedures: There is no special quality control procedures needed in conjunction with this waiver.
- 16. Date of national office action:
- 17. Date of State agency's request: February 26, 2003.
- 18. Date of regional office transmittal to the national office: February 26, 2003.