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Patricia Solis, Regional Director SNAP USDA, Midwest Regional Office 77 West Jackson Blvd., 20th Floor Chicago, IL 60604-3507

Dear Ms. Solis:

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) is requesting the Food & Nutrition Service accept this letter as notification of the State's intent to suspend the time limits for Able-Bodied Adults without Dependents (ABAWDs) statewide through at least September 30, 2011.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (P.L.111-5), allows States to suspend SNAP time limits for ABAWDs through September 30, 2010. However, Wisconsin may continue to suspend the 3 month time limits through September 30, 2011 because the State meets extended unemployment benefits criteria as stated in the DOL Trigger Notice 2010-2, effective January 24, 2010,

Thank you for considering this request. If you have any questions, you or your staff may contact Margaret Rosenthal at (608) 261-9420.

Sincerely,

Jim Jones

FoodShare Director

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