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**FEMA**

July 23, 2007

Colonel Thomas Kirkpatrick  
State Coordinating Officer  
State of Louisiana  
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Re: FEMA-1603/1607-DR-LA  
Request Time Extension for Alternate Project Submission

Dear Colonel Kirkpatrick:

This is in response to your letter dated July 10, 2007, requesting a blanket extension for the submission of alternate projects for applicants affected by FEMA-1603-DR-LA and FEMA-1607-DR-LA throughout the State of Louisiana to March 24, 2008. You cited that the jurisdictions within the State are still recovering from the two devastating hurricanes as reason for the request for the blanket extension.

After further consideration of the recovery to date, I am authorizing a state-wide extension for alternate projects until December 30, 2008. Proposals for alternate projects must otherwise meet Public Assistance Program policy requirements and must include a description of the project, an estimate of costs, starting date for work, targeted completion date, location, and identification of any historical, environmental, or other legal considerations associated with the new location.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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

Jim Stark  
Director  
Louisiana Transitional Recovery Office