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Mr. Will Lightbourne
Director
California Department of Social Services
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Dear Mr. Lightbourne:

In accordance with section 402(a) of the Social Security Act, California must periodically renew its funding status as an "eligible state" in order to continue to receive federal funds under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program. This renewal process requires that the state submit a TANF plan, which contains all of the necessary elements listed in section 402 of the Social Security Act, including the state certifications specified under sections 402(a)(2)-(7). I am pleased to inform you that as of October 1, 2013, California continues to qualify as an "eligible state" under the TANF program. As an eligible state, California is entitled to an annual SFAG of \$3,655,984,815.

Under section 402 of the Social Security Act, the Secretary of Health and Human Services has authority to determine completeness of a state's TANF plan. The Secretary lacks the authority to approve or disapprove a plan. Therefore, the determination of completeness should not be construed as an approval of any particular activity, or as a determination that any particular expenditure is an allowable use of TANF/MOE.

If you have any questions about the information in this letter, please contact Ms. Julie Fong, the TANF Regional Program Manager for Region IX, at (415) 437-7579.

Sincerely,

Robert M. Shelbourne
Director
Division of State TANF Policy