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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 81-38

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT:

ORTIZ v. WOODS AND HARLEY v. WOODS

REFERENCE:

ALL COUNTY LETTER 81-28

On March 24, 1981, you were informed of the Preliminary Injunction issued in the above-referenced cases and the actions you were to take to implement that injunction.

One of the requirements was to include certain language on or with all Notices of Action that propose to reduce or terminate benefits. This is to inform you of a change that must be made to this language. The language in ATTACHMENT A of ACL 81-28 is to be changed to read:

"Despite what it says on the Notice of Action, if you file a request for a state hearing any time before the effective date of the county's proposed action, you are entitled to have your present benefits continued until the hearing or, in the Food Stamp program, until the end of your current period of eligibility, whichever comes first."

At county option, you may substitute "can" for "are entitled to".

This change should be made as soon as possible. This required change was instituted to provide the needed flexibility for the food stamp program. We regret any inconveniences this change may have caused.

Please contact your AFDC Management consultant at (916) 445-4458 or your Food Stamp Program Operations consultant at (916) 322-5475, if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

K**YL**E S. MCKINSEY

Deputy Director

cc: CWDA

