## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 82-50

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS ALL COUNTY FISCAL OFFICERS

ALL COUNTY FOOD STAMP COORDINATORS

SUBJECT: FOOD STAMP PROGRAM/FNS-250 BILLING LIABILITIES

## REFERENCE:

The Food and Nutrition Service/Accounting and Reporting Division (FNS/ARD) has given this Department notice that California has an outstanding FNS-250 liability of \$1,338,984, dating back to July 1972. This represents the combined total for all California counties which have outstanding FNS-250 (Food Stamp Accountability Report) liabilities. The liabilities relate to outstanding coupon and cash amounts for each county.

Each county will be receiving a FNS-250 billing statement within 30 days of this letter. It will include your county's latest FNS-250 semiannual liability and a summary of your FNS-250 total outstanding balance for which your county remains liable. Payment must be made to the FNS/Western Region Office (FNS/WRO). When your county receives its FNS-250 billing statement(s) it is required to perform one of the following actions within 90 days from the date of the billing statement:

- Send a warrant for the full outstanding liability to FNS/WRO indicating the period to which the warrant is to be applied;
- 2. Send a warrant for a reduced amount to FNS/WRO together with justification for the reduction. If FNS/WRO accepts your justification, your total liability will be reduced accordingly. If your justification is not accepted, a written appeal must be submitted to FNS/WRO or the remaining balance satisfied;
- 3. Send no warrant to FNS/WRO; however, notify them that no payment will be made together with your justification. If FNS/WRO accepts your justification, your total liability will be reduced accordingly. If your justification is not accepted, a written appeal must be submitted to FNS/WRO or the balance satisfied; or,

4. Submit a written appeal to FNS/WRO in regard to the billing.

FNS/WRO has indicated that unless one of the above actions is taken, adjustments will be made to reduce Food Stamp Program funds coming to the state equal to the liability. At such time as FNS/WRO makes this adjustment, the appropriate county Food Stamp Program Fund Advances will be reduced accordingly.

Should you have any questions, please contact Mr. Manuel Guerra at (916) 445-7046 or ATSS (8) 485-7046.

Sincerely,

JAMES H. GOMEZ Deputy Director

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cc: CWDA

Carol Fahey, FNS/WRO