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Dear Mr. Tiffin:

RE: "Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery Financial Management and Grant Compliance Certification Requirements for State Grantees – 2020 Disasters" for Alabama's CDBG-DR Grant for Hurricanes Sally and Zeta

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA) Community and Economic Development Division (CED Division) is designated as the State agency to administer the State of Alabama's Disaster Recovery and Mitigation appropriation under the October 29, 2021, passage of Public Law 117-43, known as the federal Disaster Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act. These federal grant funds are to be expended to improve the State's disaster recovery efforts, build long-term resilience to natural disasters, and meet impacts of climate change, with a specific focus on low-income and moderate-income populations. In Alabama, these grant funds are to be expended to address impacts that Hurricanes Sally and Zeta had upon the State when they occurred in 2020.

In this position, ADECA is the entity responsible for completing and submitting to HUD the State's "Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Financial Management and Grant Compliance Certification Requirements for State Grantees – 2020 Disasters" for Hurricanes Sally and Zeta. Included herewith this letter is this completed Certification and the attachments required to be included therewith. ADECA appreciates HUD's prompt consideration of this Certification and its attachments for the entire \$501,252,000 allocated to the State under P. L. 117-43.

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If you have any questions pertaining to this matter, please contact Shabbir Olia at (334)242-5468 or shabbir.olia@adeca.alabama.gov.

Sincerely,

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