

January 25, 1999

Ms. Sharon M. Fujii, Regional Administrator
Administration for Children and Families
Region IX
50 United Nations Plaza, Room 450
San Francisco, California 94102

Dear Ms. Fujii:

Thank you for the opportunity to review and validate our Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 98 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families data, as addressed in your December 30, 1998 letter. In collaboration with our counties, we are aggressively working on validating the data while also continuing work to correct any problems with converting state codes to federal codes. However, we feel that to effectively validate the data and correct any errors, we will need additional time. Therefore, we are requesting an extension until March 31, 1999 for retransmission of the FFY 98 data. We feel that given an additional month the state and counties can provide a more accurate and complete picture of California's progress in the TANF program.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please call me at (916) 654-1792.

Sincerely,

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