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February 12, 2021

Delivered via Electronic Mail

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Washington, DC 20005
foia@americanoversight.org

**Re: Final Response for Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)
Request No. 2020-OSEC-03700-F**

Dear Mr. Evers:

This is our final response to the above-referenced FOIA request received by the Office of Information Affairs (OIA). The request sought:

All email communications (including email messages, complete email chains, email attachments, calendar invitations, and calendar invitation attachments) sent by any of the USDA officials listed below containing any of the key terms listed below...from January 30, 2020, through the date of the search.

In an email dated July 20, 2020, you agreed to remove some individuals from your requested list of USDA officials. You are now seeking emails associated with the following employees: Sonny Perdue, Stephen Censky, Joby Young, Kailee Tkacz, Rebeckah Adcock, Kristi Boswell, Pam Miller, Shiela Corley, Brandon Lipps, and Jessica Shahin. You are seeking emails that contain any of the following key terms: Coronavirus, Corona, Virus, Disease, Pandemic, Epidemic, Outbreak, Contagion, containment, "public health emergency," COVID, SARS, "2019-nCoV," POTUS, Wuhan, Hubei, Hoax, "Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program," SNAP, "able-bodied," ABAWD, Howell, Lunch, Lunches, NSLP, School, Schools, Student, Students.

On June 29, 2020, we referred the portion of your request seeking emails from Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) employees Pam Miller, Shiela Corley, Jessica Shahin, Lizbeth Silberman, Cindy Long, and Sasha Gersten-Paal to FNS for response directly to you.

In addition, we have identified custodians likely to maintain records about the subject of your request, who you did not mention in your request. We therefore included Blake Rollins, Maggie Lyons, Ken Barbic, Veronica Wong, and Thor Christianson in our search instructions.

Your request is being processed under the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552.

An electronic search for responsive records was conducted by the Chief Information Office Client Experience Center (CEC). The CEC searched in all Outlook email accounts associated

with Sonny Perdue, Joby Young, Stephen Censky, Blake Rollins, Kailee Tkacz, Rebecca Adcock, Kristi Boswell, Brandon Lipps, Maggie Lyons, Ken Barbic, Veronica Wong, and Thor Christianson for emails they sent pertaining to COVID-19 and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or school lunch programs, dated between January 30, 2020 and May 19, 2020.

On December 28, 2020, we sent you an interim response which included 2,651 pages of responsive records. With this final response, we are providing an additional 68 pages of responsive records.

Following a review of the responsive records, the OIA has determined that certain information contained therein should be withheld pursuant to U.S.C. § 552(b)(5) (FOIA Exemption 5) and U.S.C. § 552(b)(6) (FOIA Exemption 6). Below is an explanation of the information that has been withheld.

FOIA Exemption 5 protects from disclosure those “inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party other than an agency in litigation with the agency.” One of the frequently invoked FOIA Exemption 5 privileges is the deliberative process privilege. To fall within FOIA’s deliberative process privilege, the records must be both pre-decisional and deliberative; the records must precede the adoption of an agency policy and include the opinions, recommendations, or deliberations on a legal or policy matter. In this instance, the OIA is withholding, under the deliberative process privilege, pre-decisional intra- and inter-agency comments pertaining to departmental and governmental policies. Disclosure of such information would have a chilling effect on the ability of agency officials to engage in free and frank discussions regarding policy.

Exemption 6 generally is referred to as the “personal privacy” exemption. It provides that the disclosure requirements of FOIA do not apply to “personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.” Application of the exemption involves balancing the public’s interest in disclosure against individuals’ privacy interests.

The information withheld under Exemption 6 consists of mobile phone numbers, direct phone numbers of certain senior officials, direct phone numbers and email address handles for third parties, and. This information qualifies as “similar files” because it is information in which individuals have a privacy interest. Moreover, releasing the information could subject the individuals to unwarranted or unsolicited communications. Since there is a viable privacy interest that would be threatened by disclosure, Exemption 6 authorizes this office to withhold the information. Accordingly, we have determined that the public interest in the information’s release does not outweigh the overriding privacy interests in keeping it confidential.

You may appeal this response, and our prior interim response, by email at USDAFOIA@usda.gov. Your appeal must be in writing, and it must be received electronically no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. The OGC will not consider appeals received after the 90 calendar-day limit. Appeals received after 5:00 p.m. EST will be considered received the next business day. The appeal letter should include the FOIA tracking number, a

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copy of the original request, the OIA's response to your original request, and a statement explaining the basis of your appeal. For quickest possible handling, the subject line of your email and the appeal letter should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal" and reference FOIA No. 2020-OSEC-03700-F.

You may seek dispute resolution services from the OIA's FOIA Public Liaison, Ms. Camille Aponte. Ms. Aponte may be contacted by telephone at 202-690-5260, or electronically at Camille.Aponte@usda.gov or USDAFOIA@usda.gov.

You also have the option to seek assistance from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). Please visit <https://www.archives.gov/ogis/mediation-program/request-assistance> for information about how to request OGIS assistance in relation to a FOIA request.

Provisions of the FOIA allow us to recover part of the cost of processing your request. In this instance, no fees will be charged. If you have any questions regarding the processing of this request, please contact Mr. Harald Fuller-Bennett at 202-239-4522, or electronically at harald.fullerbennett@usda.gov or USDAFOIA@usda.gov.

For additional information regarding USDA FOIA regulations and processes, please refer to the information available online at www.dm.usda.gov/foia.

The OIA appreciates the opportunity to assist you with this matter.

Sincerely,

Alexis R. Graves

Alexis R. Graves
Departmental FOIA Officer
Office of the General Counsel

Enclosure: Responsive records (68 pages)

From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Perry, Andrew - OBPA, Washington, DC](#)
Cc: [Navarro, Erica - OBPA, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: FFRCA Waiver Docs for OIRA Review - COVID-19
Date: Thursday, April 9, 2020 9:13:40 AM

Great news! Thank you!

Rebeckah.Adcock@USDA.gov

From: Perry, Andrew - OBPA, Washington, DC <andrew.perry@usda.gov>
Sent: Thursday, April 9, 2020 9:10:59 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@usda.gov>
Cc: Navarro, Erica - OBPA, Washington, DC <erica.navarro@usda.gov>
Subject: FW: FFRCA Waiver Docs for OIRA Review - COVID-19

She beat me to it...James provided his clearance and passbacks just before 12:30 last night.

Thanks

From: Stewart, Kelly - FNS <kelly.stewart@usda.gov>
Sent: Thursday, April 9, 2020 7:50 AM
To: Applebaum, Margaret - FNS <margaret.applebaum@usda.gov>; Kriviski, Diane - FNS <diane.kriviski@usda.gov>; Savoy, LaTisha - FNS <latisha.savoy@usda.gov>; Larson, Kiley - FNS <kiley.larson@usda.gov>; Hermsen, Elizabeth - FNS <elizabeth.hermsen@usda.gov>; Shahin, Jessica - FNS <jessica.shahin@usda.gov>; Hyatt, Kristen - FNS <kristen.hyatt@usda.gov>; Griffin, Laura - FNS <laura.griffin@usda.gov>; Long, Cindy - FNS <cindy.long@usda.gov>; Silbermann, Lizbeth - FNS <lizbeth.silbermann@usda.gov>; FNS - OPS Front Office <fn-OpsFrontOffice@usda.gov>; Muns, Tamieka - FNS <tamieka.muns@usda.gov>; Kimosh, Janna - FNS <Janna.Kimosh@usda.gov>; Hardison, Brooke - FNS <Brooke.Hardison@usda.gov>; Whalen, Karla - FNS (Detailee) <Karla.Whalen@usda.gov>
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Subject: RE: FFRCA Waiver Docs for OIRA Review - COVID-19

Good morning,

We have received OMB passback on the attached:

- (b) (5), DPP

- (b) (5), DPP [REDACTED]

Additionally, the following items have **cleared OIRA**:

- (b) (5), DPP [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

We have asked for a status update on [outstanding items](#) and are awaiting additional information.

Kelly

From: Stewart, Kelly - FNS

Sent: Wednesday, April 8, 2020 2:33 PM

To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@usda.gov>; Perry, Andrew - OBPA, Washington, DC <andrew.perry@usda.gov>

Cc: O'Neill, Stephen - OBPA, Washington, DC <Stephen.Oneill@usda.gov>; Barrios, Farrah - OBPA, Washington, DC <farrah.barrios@usda.gov>; Druhan, Julia - OBPA, Washington, DC <julia.druhan@usda.gov>; FNS - OPS Front Office <fn-OpsFrontOffice@usda.gov>; Hardison, Brooke - FNS <Brooke.Hardison@usda.gov>; Hetrick, Julie - OBPA, Washington, DC <julie.hetrick@usda.gov>; Lucas, Richard - FNS <richard.lucas@usda.gov>; Muns, Tamieka - FNS <tamieka.muns@usda.gov>; Navarro, Erica - OBPA, Washington, DC <erica.navarro@usda.gov>; Whalen, Karla - FNS (Detailee) <Karla.Whalen@usda.gov>; Applebaum, Margaret - FNS <margaret.applebaum@usda.gov>; Kriviski, Diane - FNS <diane.kriviski@usda.gov>; Savoy, LaTisha - FNS <latisha.savoy@usda.gov>; Larson, Kiley - FNS <kiley.larson@usda.gov>; Kimosh, Janna - FNS <Janna.Kimosh@usda.gov>; Hermsen, Elizabeth - FNS <elizabeth.hermsen@usda.gov>; Shahin, Jessica - FNS <jessica.shahin@usda.gov>; Abelev, Melissa - FNS <melissa.abelev@usda.gov>; Beckwith, Tina - OBPA, Washington, DC <tina.beckwith@usda.gov>; Hyatt, Kristen - FNS <kristen.hyatt@usda.gov>; DeCesaro, Anne - OSEC, Washington, DC <Anne.DeCesaro@usda.gov>; Pollard, Nicole - OBPA, Washington, DC <nicole.pollard@usda.gov>; Tvrdy, Joe - FNS <Joe.Tvrdy@usda.gov>; Datlow, Lindsay - FNS <Lindsay.Datlow@usda.gov>; Cohen, Jeffrey (Jeff) - FNS <Jeffrey.Cohen@usda.gov>; Griffin, Laura - FNS <laura.griffin@usda.gov>; Long, Cindy - FNS <cindy.long@usda.gov>; Silberman, Lizbeth - FNS <lizbeth.silberman@usda.gov>

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Hi Steve,

Please find passback on the list below. We look forward to clearance of these items.

(b) (5), DPP [REDACTED]

We've also attached all of the CN Monitoring Waivers per James' request.

Kelly

From: Stewart, Kelly - FNS

Sent: Wednesday, April 8, 2020 11:56 AM

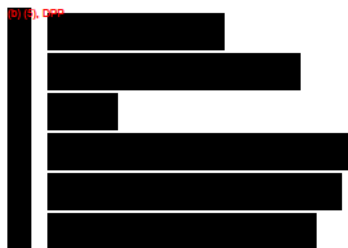
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Importance: High

Please find attached OMB passback on the attached 6 items.



CN: Please see this note from OMB and provide the final version of the requested document: Please

(b) (5), DPP

Thank you!

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@usda.gov>

Sent: Monday, April 6, 2020 3:40 PM

To: Stewart, Kelly - FNS <kelly.stewart@usda.gov>; Perry, Andrew - OBPA, Washington, DC <andrew.perry@usda.gov>
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Subject: Re: FFRCA Waiver Docs for OIRA Review - COVID-19

Cleared upon review

Rebeckah.Adcock@USDA.gov

From: Stewart, Kelly - FNS <kelly.stewart@usda.gov>
Sent: Monday, April 6, 2020 3:34:53 PM
To: Perry, Andrew - OBPA, Washington, DC <andrew.perry@usda.gov>
Cc: O'Neill, Stephen - OBPA, Washington, DC <Stephen.ONeill@usda.gov>; Barrios, Farrah - OBPA, Washington, DC <farrah.barrios@usda.gov>; Druhan, Julia - OBPA, Washington, DC <julia.druhan@usda.gov>; FNS - OPS Front Office <fn-OpsFrontOffice@usda.gov>; Hardison, Brooke - FNS <Brooke.Hardison@usda.gov>; Hetrick, Julie - OBPA, Washington, DC <julie.hetrick@usda.gov>; Lucas, Richard - FNS <richard.lucas@usda.gov>; Muns, Tamieka - FNS <tamieka.muns@usda.gov>; Navarro, Erica - OBPA, Washington, DC <erica.navarro@usda.gov>; Whalen, Karla - FNS (Detail) <Karla.Whalen@usda.gov>; Applebaum, Margaret - FNS <margaret.applebaum@usda.gov>; Kriviski, Diane - FNS <diane.kriviski@usda.gov>; Savoy, LaTisha - FNS <latisha.savoy@usda.gov>; Larson, Kiley - FNS <kiley.larson@usda.gov>; Kimosh, Janna - FNS <Janna.Kimosh@usda.gov>; Hermesen, Elizabeth - FNS <elizabeth.hermesen@usda.gov>; Shahin, Jessica - FNS <jessica.shahin@usda.gov>; Abelev, Melissa - FNS <melissa.abelev@usda.gov>; Beckwith, Tina - OBPA, Washington, DC <tina.beckwith@usda.gov>; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@usda.gov>; Hyatt, Kristen - FNS <kristen.hyatt@usda.gov>; DeCesaro, Anne - OSEC, Washington, DC <Anne.DeCesaro@usda.gov>; Pollard, Nicole - OBPA, Washington, DC <nicole.pollard@usda.gov>; Tvrdy, Joe - FNS <Joe.Tvrdy@usda.gov>; Datlow, Lindsay - FNS <Lindsay.Datlow@usda.gov>; Cohen, Jeffrey (Jeff) - FNS <Jeffrey.Cohen@usda.gov>; Griffin, Laura - FNS <laura.griffin@usda.gov>
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Hi Andrew and Steve,

Please find attached two new documents for OIRA review (resending the second so it's all in one message).

- (b) (5), DPP
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Our list of pending guidance docs has been updated [here](#). Per my count, the attached bring us to 13 guidance documents and 1 standalone question currently with OIRA for review.

Thank you,

Kelly

From: Stewart, Kelly - FNS

Sent: Friday, April 3, 2020 4:02 PM

To: Perry, Andrew - OBPA, Washington, DC <andrew.perry@usda.gov>

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Thank you!

Kelly

From: Stewart, Kelly - FNS

Sent: Thursday, April 2, 2020 4:06 PM

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Hi Andrew and Steve,

Please find attached 5 new documents for OIRA review.

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Thanks! Kelly

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Sent: Thursday, April 2, 2020 3:10 PM

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Hello all,

OMB (via OBPA) has provided an additional round of edits on the CN Q&As. Please see attached.

Kelly

From: Stewart, Kelly - FNS
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Subject: RE: FFRCA Waiver Docs for OIRA Review - COVID-19

Let me try that again and actually add the track changes version! ☺

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Andrew and Steve,

Please find attached our revisions on Q&A #3 for passback to OIRA. I believe we now have one outstanding passback (SNAP recertification waiver), and are working through that today. Thank you!

Kelly

From: Stewart, Kelly - FNS

Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 3:59 PM

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Andrew and Steve,

Please find attached our revisions on the Mass Denial Letter and the Monitoring Nationwide Waiver (60 Day) for passback to OIRA. We are still working on revised versions of the 2 CN Q&As and the

SNAP recertification waiver.

We will have no new documents for submission today.

Thanks – Kelly

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Subject: RE: Mass Denial Letter and Ext All Certified Periods - COVID-19

Hi Kelly,

Please see passback on the denial letter and the certification periods.

Thanks,
Andrew

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Hi Andrew and Steve,

Please find attached the revised documents for OIRA clearance. We anticipate sending a new bundle of documents for review shortly after 4:00. Our list of new documents we expect to go to OIRA this week has been updated [here](#).

Kelly

From: Perry, Andrew - OBPA, Washington, DC <andrew.perry@usda.gov>

Sent: Saturday, March 28, 2020 8:35 PM

To: Stewart, Kelly - FNS <kelly.stewart@usda.gov>

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Subject: FW: Mass Denial Letter and Ext All Certified Periods - COVID-19

Hi Kelly,

Attached are OIRA's comments on the two documents from Friday. Please note that OIRA requests seeing them again.

Thanks,
Andrew

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Sent: Saturday, March 28, 2020 8:13 PM
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Subject: RE: Mass Denial Letter and Ext All Certified Periods - COVID-19

Good Evening,

Please see EOP passback on these items.

We will need to see for another round.

James

From: [Lipps, Brandon - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [DeCesaro, Anne - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Miller, Pam - FNS](#)
Cc: [Corley, Shiela - FNS](#)
Subject: RE: FOR APPROVAL: SNAP mass denial letter
Date: Thursday, April 2, 2020 8:20:00 AM

Hold on this. I think we should make some edits based on yesterday's convos. May have to go back through clearance. Will get back to you after depsec meeting.

From: DeCesaro, Anne - OSEC, Washington, DC <Anne.DeCesaro@usda.gov>
Sent: Thursday, April 2, 2020 7:56 AM
To: Miller, Pam - FNS <pam.miller@usda.gov>; Lipps, Brandon - OSEC, Washington, DC <brandon.lipps@usda.gov>
Cc: Corley, Shiela - FNS <shiela.corley@usda.gov>
Subject: RE: FOR APPROVAL: SNAP mass denial letter

Here is the updated letter that went to programs.

Anne DeCesaro
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From: Miller, Pam - FNS <pam.miller@usda.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, April 1, 2020 11:46 PM
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I am good with this letter but not sure if this is the latest version that OGC has edited as I don't see them in this chain. I also want to be sure this is consistent with your meeting with SP. Thanks

From: Cohen, Jeffrey (Jeff) - FNS <Jeffrey.Cohen@usda.gov>
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This includes denial of requests to waive:

- (b) (5), DPP
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- [REDACTED]
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- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

Let us know if you have any questions or comments.

... Jeff

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Hi Kelly,

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Thanks,
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Good Afternoon,

We clear these documents.

James

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Subject: RE: FOR APPROVAL: SNAP mass denial letter
Date: Thursday, April 2, 2020 9:38:00 AM

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Subject: FW: FFRCA Waiver Docs for OIRA Review - COVID-19

Hi Kelly,

OIRA has cleared the attached documents.

Thanks,
Andrew

From: Crowe, James M. EOP/OMB (b) (6) <[REDACTED]@omb.eop.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, April 1, 2020 1:28 PM
To: O'Neill, Stephen - OBPA, Washington, DC <Stephen.ONeill@usda.gov>; Perry, Andrew - OBPA, Washington, DC <andrew.perry@usda.gov>
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Subject: FFRCA Waiver Docs for OIRA Review - COVID-19

Good Afternoon,

We clear these documents.

James

From: [Tkacz, Kailee - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Saunders, Ruth D. EOP/OMB](#); [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Cc: [Young, Joby - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Beal, Mary Dee - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: OMB request for input FW: Food delivery to quarantined areas
Date: Sunday, March 15, 2020 5:43:00 PM
Attachments: [COVID Food Supply Workstream draft 3-15-2020 al.docx](#)

Adding a few others-Joby and Mary Dee Beal

From: Saunders, Ruth D. EOP/OMB (b) (6) @omb.eop.gov>
Sent: Sunday, March 15, 2020 5:28 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@usda.gov>; Tkacz, Kailee - OSEC, Washington, DC <kailee.tkacz@usda.gov>
Subject: OMB request for input FW: Food delivery to quarantined areas

Good evening Rebeckah and Kailee,

Brian asked us for a short paper summarizing the food supply issues and possible issues – a draft us attached. (b) (5), DPP
Would this be possible by mid-morning tomorrow? It is topline overview – to organize potential workstreams. My apologies for the short turn around, but we'd really appreciate your feedback.

Thank you

Ruth

Ruth Saunders
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Begin forwarded message:

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Date: March 13, 2020 at 6:57:41 PM EDT
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Cc: "CLS1, SLC1 - OSEC, Washington, DC" <SLC1@usda.gov>, "Young, Joby - OSEC, Washington, DC" <joby.young@usda.gov>, "Tkacz, Kailee - OSEC, Washington, DC" <kailee.tkacz@usda.gov>, "Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC" <Rebeckah.Adcock@usda.gov>, "Fantinato, Jessica -

OHS, Washington, DC" <jessica.fantinato@usda.gov>

Subject: RE: Food delivery to quarantined areas

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Good Evening, Brian.

As directed, USDA is assessing the various authorities that have been or could be used to move ag products and food in a quarantine scenario.

Attached is our earliest attempt at capturing the intersection of the known authorities – we continue to look for other options in other Department's authorities.

Cliff notes = various levers could allow USDA to obtain and source many foods and commodities (some require multi department or Presidential approval), *but the bulk of actual movement* of those commodities en masse would require authorities and action of other parts of the federal family.

Please advise how you would prefer we go about that outreach and coordination with the other departments – via OMB or USDA directly managed.

Thanks,

Rebeckah Freeman Adcock

Senior Advisor to the Secretary, Regulatory Officer & Chair, Multi
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Sent: Friday, March 13, 2020 6:10 PM

To: McCormack, Brian V. EOP/OMB

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Cc: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC

<Rebeckah.Adcock@usda.gov>; Fantinato, Jessica - OHS, Washington, DC

<jessica.fantinato@usda.gov>; Young, Joby - OSEC, Washington, DC

<joby.young@usda.gov>

Subject: RE: Food delivery to quarantined areas

Thanks, Brian, for the follow-up. I've asked Rebeckah Adcock and Jessica Fantinato here at USDA to coordinate our team here and to reach out to Adrian. Copying both Rebeckah and Jessica on this note.

Best regards,

Steve

Stephen L. Censky
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From: McCormack, Brian V. EOP/OMB

<(b) (6)@omb.eop.gov>

Sent: Friday, March 13, 2020 10:28 AM

To: CLS1, SLC1 - OSEC, Washington, DC <SLC1@usda.gov>; Tkacz, Kailee - OSEC, Washington, DC <kailee.tkacz@usda.gov>

Subject: Food delivery to quarantined areas

Mr. Deputy Secretary,

I connected with Margaret Weichert this morning. Please let me know who on your team for Adrienne Lucas and Ruth Saunders to connect with regarding the subject above.

Thank you,
Brian

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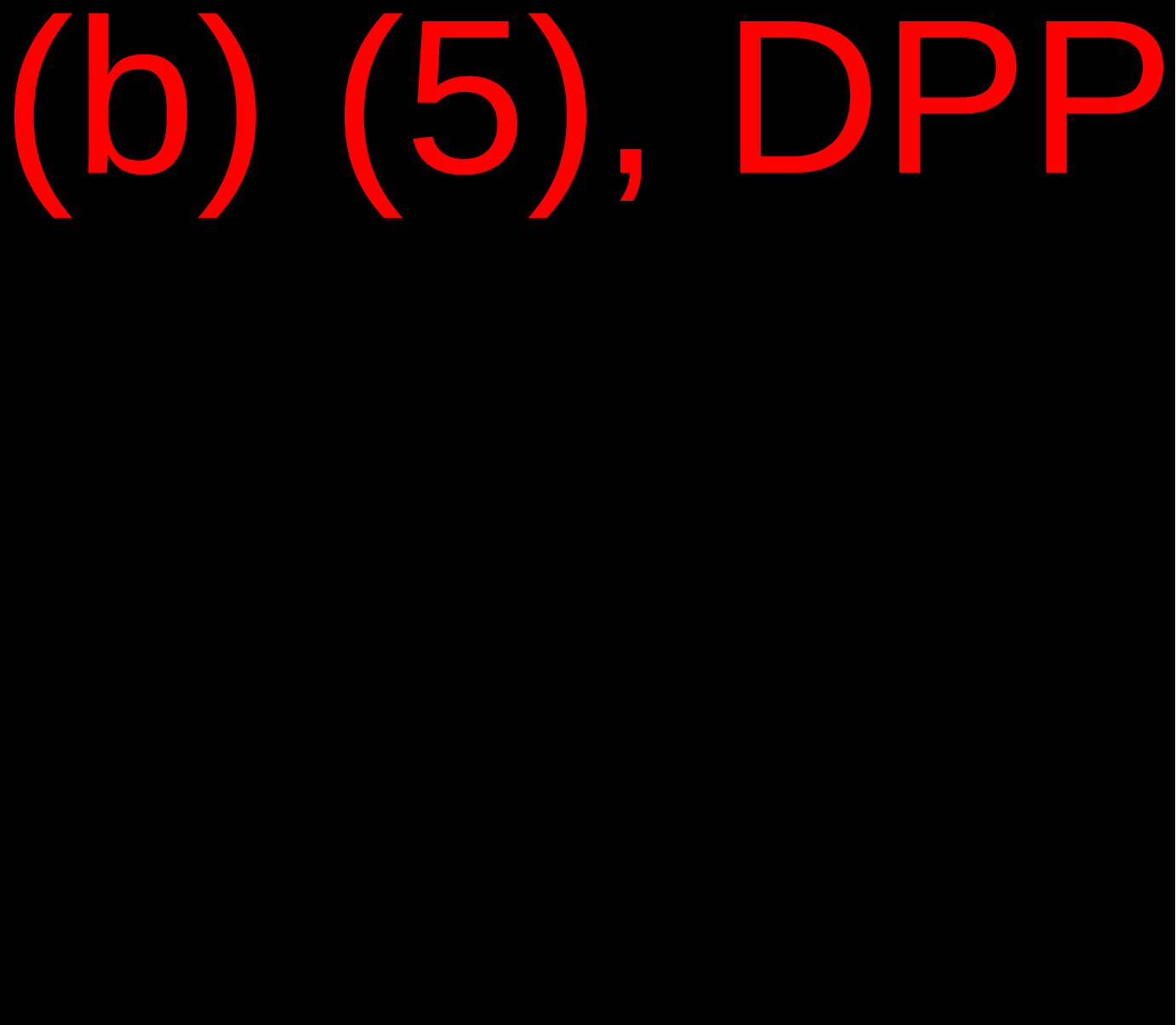
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(b) (5), DPP



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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Shuford, Campbell - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Perry, Andrew - OBPA, Washington, DC](#); [DeCesaro, Anne - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: SNAP QC
Date: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 5:38:26 PM

Please set a time

Rebeckah.Adcock@USDA.gov

From: Shuford, Campbell - OSEC, Washington, DC <campbell.shuford@usda.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 5:07:57 PM
To: Perry, Andrew - OBPA, Washington, DC <andrew.perry@usda.gov>; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@usda.gov>; DeCesaro, Anne - OSEC, Washington, DC <Anne.DeCesaro@usda.gov>
Subject: Re: SNAP QC

Thinking we should all gather to discuss. Know everyone is busy, Friday?

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Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 10:31:43 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@usda.gov>; DeCesaro, Anne - OSEC, Washington, DC <Anne.DeCesaro@usda.gov>
Cc: Shuford, Campbell - OSEC, Washington, DC <campbell.shuford@usda.gov>
Subject: Re: SNAP QC

I was not aware that (b) (5), DPP. Since this is the case I need to follow up with OIRA to change our regulatory agenda submission ASAP, which currently shows two entries.

Please advise.

Thanks

From: "Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC" <Rebeckah.Adcock@usda.gov>
Date: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 10:28:09 AM
To: "Perry, Andrew - OBPA, Washington, DC" <andrew.perry@usda.gov>, "DeCesaro, Anne - OSEC, Washington, DC" <Anne.DeCesaro@usda.gov>
Cc: "Shuford, Campbell - OSEC, Washington, DC" <campbell.shuford@usda.gov>
Subject: RE: SNAP QC

(b) (5), DPP My suspicion is that not all staff are aware that. Anne, you may need to double back to break this free.

Let me know if you want to elevate – but would need at reset to argue the point. It is not ideal that Satya is also managing COVID.

R

From: Perry, Andrew - OBPA, Washington, DC <andrew.perry@usda.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 10:22 AM
To: DeCesaro, Anne - OSEC, Washington, DC <Anne.DeCesaro@usda.gov>
Cc: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@usda.gov>; Shuford, Campbell - OSEC, Washington, DC <campbell.shuford@usda.gov>
Subject: Re: SNAP QC

Anne,

I'm sorry for the confusion. (b) (5), DPP

The plan at this time to proceed with the QC IFR.

Please confirm that this is the message we want to deliver.

Thanks

From: "DeCesaro, Anne - OSEC, Washington, DC" <Anne.DeCesaro@usda.gov>
Date: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 10:16:24 AM
To: "Perry, Andrew - OBPA, Washington, DC" <andrew.perry@usda.gov>
Cc: "Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC" <Rebeckah.Adcock@usda.gov>, "Shuford, Campbell - OSEC, Washington, DC" <campbell.shuford@usda.gov>
Subject: Re: SNAP QC

I'm sorry, but my note was not to Julie Wise.

(b) (5), DPP We know that we need to, but until we have the details from them on their policy issues.

Anne DeCesaro
FNCS/USDA

From: Perry, Andrew - OBPA, Washington, DC <andrew.perry@usda.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 10:13 AM
To: DeCesaro, Anne - OSEC, Washington, DC
Cc: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC; Shuford, Campbell - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: Fwd: SNAP QC

Anne,

Please see OIRA's reply below. It looks like they have been waiting for us to submit the split rules to them before providing comments.

I will follow up with Kelly to get an ETA for the two rules, and I will tell OIRA that we are looking for comments that we can work through before we submit the two rules.

Thanks
Andrew

From: "Wise, Julie A. EOP/OMB" (b) (6) <[REDACTED]@omb.eop.gov>
Date: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 9:16:49 AM
To: "Perry, Andrew - OBPA, Washington, DC" <andrew.perry@usda.gov>
Cc: "ONeill, Stephen - OBPA, Washington, DC" <Stephen.ONeill@usda.gov>, "Crowe, James M. EOP/OMB" (b) (6) <[REDACTED]@omb.eop.gov>
Subject: Re: SNAP QC

That is great news - thank you!

When you say outstanding issues, do you mean with the split process or with the substance of the rule(s)? (b) (5), DPP [REDACTED]

Thanks again!
Julie

Sent from my iPhone - please excuse brevity and typos.

On Mar 11, 2020, at 09:02, Perry, Andrew - OBPA, Washington, DC
<andrew.perry@usda.gov> wrote:

Hi Julie,

(b) (5), DPP [REDACTED]

Do you have time today to discuss the outstanding issues?

Thanks
Andrew

From: "Wise, Julie A. EOP/OMB" (b) (6) <@omb.eop.gov>
Date: Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at 11:26:20 AM
To: "Perry, Andrew - OBPA, Washington, DC" <andrew.perry@usda.gov>
Cc: "ONeill, Stephen - OBPA, Washington, DC" <Stephen.ONeill@usda.gov>, "Crowe, James M. EOP/OMB" (b) (6) <@omb.eop.gov>
Subject: RE: SNAP QC

Andrew,

(b) (5), DPP

Would you confirm and let me know next steps?

Adding James for awareness.

Thanks,
Julie

From: Wise, Julie A. EOP/OMB
Sent: Wednesday, February 26, 2020 9:42 AM
To: Perry, Andrew - OBPA, Washington, DC <andrew.perry@usda.gov>
Cc: O'Neill, Stephen - OBPA, Washington, DC <Stephen.ONeill@usda.gov>
Subject: Re: SNAP QC

Andrew,

Any updates on your end with SNAP QC?

FNS (Kelly) just sent me an updated version that apparently has the analysis for the IFR pieces.

I'm traveling today but am checking in periodically.

Thanks,

Julie

Sent from my iPhone - please excuse brevity and typos.

On Feb 25, 2020, at 10:08, Perry, Andrew - OBPA, Washington, DC
<andrew.perry@usda.gov> wrote:

Hi Julie,

Can you give me a quick call about this? I think it is something I can resolve on my end, but want to be sure I understand OIRA's perspective.

Thanks

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Cc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: URGENT REVIEW BY 10:30 PM TONIGHT: COVID-19 Response Legislation
Date: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 10:42:45 PM
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+ Kailee – bringing you in the very last minute loop. (b) (5), DPP

Evan, I otherwise have no comments to leg if FNCS is satisfied. Will add this to the MAC tracker.

Thanks, R

From: Lee, Evan - OSEC, Washington, DC <evan.lee@usda.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 10:25 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@usda.gov>
Subject: Fwd: URGENT REVIEW BY 10:30 PM TONIGHT: COVID-19 Response Legislation

Sorry, I hit send too soon earlier. Here's the email with documents.

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Subject: Fwd: URGENT REVIEW BY 10:30 PM TONIGHT: COVID-19 Response Legislation

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Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 9:19:06 PM

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Cc: Jackson, Noah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Noah.Jackson@usda.gov>
Subject: Fwd: URGENT REVIEW BY 10:30 PM TONIGHT: COVID-19 Response Legislation

Hi all — Forwarding in case this hasn't come up through the normal channel yet.

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From: Rodgers, Marshall J. EOP/OMB <(b) (6)@omb.eop.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 9:02 PM
To: Lee, Evan - OSEC, Washington, DC; Jackson, Noah - OSEC, Washington, DC
Cc: Vaeth, Matt J. EOP/OMB
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Subject: URGENT REVIEW BY 10:30 PM TONIGHT: COVID-19 Response Legislation

Good evening colleagues. With apologies for the very quick turnaround, attached is what we understand to be language that will likely be taken up by House Rules very soon, possibly very early tomorrow morning. Your review is requested to identify any concerns or issues with the attached language as soon as is possible.

There are two attachments on this e-mail:

1. (b) (5), DPP [REDACTED]
2. An attachment including the following:

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[REDACTED]

If I have missed any colleagues on this note that you believe should receive this e-mail, please let me know asap.

Thank you very much for the quick turn on this. Please let me know if you have any questions on this request.

From: [Wong, Veronica - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Barbic, Ken - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); Frederick.Vaughan@treasury.gov
Subject: RE: Do you have a second to chat?
Date: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 3:17:00 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Fritz,

3 bills I'm aware of:

1. **Rep Bonamici/Comer** – bipartisan, USDA provided TA – related to School Meal waivers
 - a. Press Release - <https://bonamici.house.gov/media/press-releases/bonamici-comer-introduce-bill-protect-access-school-meals-during-school>
 - b. Text - <https://edlabor.house.gov/imo/media/doc/Child%20Nutrition%20Waiver%20Authority%20for%20COVID-19%20Act%20Bill%20Text.pdf>
2. **Rep Haaland plus 7 members** – partisan introduction, increases snap benefits, suspends snap work requirements, blocks funds for new rules, expands FDIPIR
 - a. Press Release - <https://haaland.house.gov/media/press-releases/haaland-democratic-lawmakers-introduce-emergency-food-security-bill-amid>
 - b. Bill text – don't have yet
3. **Rep Omar plus 13 members** – partisan introduction, waives cost neutrality provision of School Meals program waivers
 - a. Press Release - <https://edlabor.house.gov/media/press-releases/representative-omar-introduces-bill-to-protect-access-to-school-meals-during-school-closures>
 - b. Bill text - <https://edlabor.house.gov/imo/media/doc/MEALS%20Act%20Bill%20Text.pdf>

Thanks,
Veronica

From: Barbic, Ken - OSEC, Washington, DC <Ken.Barbic@usda.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 3:08 PM
To: Frederick.Vaughan@treasury.gov
Cc: Wong, Veronica - OSEC, Washington, DC <Veronica.Wong@usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Do you have a second to chat?

Copying Veronica in our office who will send you what we have seen.

Ken Barbic
U.S. Department of Agriculture
(b) (6) (cell)

From: Frederick.Vaughan@treasury.gov <Frederick.Vaughan@treasury.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 3:00:18 PM
To: Barbic, Ken - OSEC, Washington, DC <Ken.Barbic@usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Do you have a second to chat?

Ken – Following up on our conversation from earlier and whether there's any language on your radar that would be helpful to share.

Best, Fritz

From: McGuire, Brian <Brian.McGuire@treasury.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 11:31 AM
To: Barbic, Ken - OSEC, Washington, DC <Ken.Barbic@usda.gov>
Cc: Vaughan, Frederick <Frederick.Vaughan@treasury.gov>
Subject: Re: Do you have a second to chat?

Hey Ken—Happy to chat. Looping in my OLA colleague Fritz Vaughan, who will probably be able to connect soonest.

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From: Barbic, Ken - OSEC, Washington, DC <Ken.Barbic@usda.gov>
Date: March 11, 2020 at 11:15:32 AM EDT
To: McGuire, Brian <Brian.McGuire@treasury.gov>
Subject: Do you have a second to chat?

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I know your boss is in the middle of coronavirus negotiations, we have been engaged with the Hill on the food stamp side of things. Just wanted to check-in if you have a minute this morning. Thanks!



Ken Barbic

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To: [Shuford, Campbell - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [DeCesaro, Anne - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Fwd: from José Andrés - let's keep America fed!
Date: Friday, April 24, 2020 6:57:19 PM

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From: Young, Joby - OSEC, Washington, DC <joby.young@usda.gov>
Sent: Friday, April 24, 2020 6:56:21 PM
To: Jose Andres **(b) (6)**@thinkfoodgroup.com>; imt@who.eop.gov <imt@who.eop.gov>; Lipps, Brandon - OSEC, Washington, DC <brandon.lipps@usda.gov>
Cc: Kushner, Jared C. EOP/WHO <jck@who.eop.gov>; Rader, John N. EOP/NSC <John.N.Rader@nsc.eop.gov>; Satchel Kaplan-Allen **(b) (6)**@thinkfoodgroup.com>; Young, Stewart B. EOP/WHO <Stewart.B.Young@who.eop.gov>
Subject: Re: from José Andrés - let's keep America fed!

Hi José-

Thanks for your note and update. We've discovered that these unique times have called for some innovative approaches as well as new partnerships to support impacted businesses where we can and keep people fed. We're proud of the solutions the USDA team has developed to meet many of these challenges. Thanks for your work to do the same. Maybe Brandon and I can join you and your team on a call early next week to share updates and compare notes?

Please let me know. Thanks again.

-Joby

Joby Young
Chief of Staff
U.S. Dept. of Agriculture

From: Jose Andres **(b) (6)**@thinkfoodgroup.com>
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Again, Thanks for keeping inform.

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- Just last week, [we announced a commitment to serve 1 million meals](#) that we fund directly through a network of 500+ local restaurants, at a cost that allows them to hire back their staff and buy from farmers and distributors, all while serving nutritious hot meals to the elderly, struggling families, and frontline health workers. These meals are being distributed either by our volunteers directly, by a local network of churches and soup kitchens, with the help of local officials, or in partnership with the food delivery companies. And in many

places, we're buying from local farmers and farm bureaus so that people can not only get a hot meal from us, but also a produce box for home so they can avoid going out for food each day. With just the power of great idea, we're strengthening state and local economies and feeding communities at the same time.

- [Right here at Nationals Park in DC \(go Nats!\) we've activated the kitchens in the concession stands](#) to meet high levels of demand where homeless shelters, senior centers, and local food banks are unable to keep up due to the strain on the system. We're doing the same thing near the Javitz Center in NY, and launching tomorrow at Camden Yards. Every local official we've worked with across the country knows the huge potential to feed people if we use these resources – arenas, convention centers, big cafeterias and dining halls – in a smart way. If we can add the leadership of the great men and women of our National Guard with the purchasing power of USDA, every one of these locations can become a temporary food bank or meal distribution center overnight.
- From Little Rock to Los Angeles, we are partnered with school districts to find innovative ways to feed students and families. Wherever we can, we are training school staff in safe COVID protocols to avoid shutting down due to the virus. More than that, we're supplementing the reimbursed meals that students receive with food that their families can take home as well. Whenever possible, we are helping distribute these meals in the community when not everybody can come to the school; other times, we are providing intel so that bus drivers can drop off meals strategically along their routes.
- With SNAP and P-EBT, we know there are more flexible ways to allow people to redeem that also generate economic benefits from farmers and for businesses. I love what you are doing with the online purchasing pilot. I think there is room to allow for hot meal purchases as well, and a national Restaurant Meals Program would go such a long way to helping local restaurants afford the cost of providing affordable, nutritious meals – which many are already doing on their own dime.

There is much more I could say here, but I hope first to understand how I can best help you to keep winning this fight. Many sectors of the food supply chain are still underutilized, from distributors to restaurants to schools, and we can lessen the enormous strain on farmers and food banks by thinking outside the box on how to get everybody in between off of the sidelines. I do believe that we can work together to prevent a humanitarian food crisis from adding to the health and economic crises we face. After all, food is a national security issue – “the destiny of the nations will depend on how they feed themselves.” Or in your words, do right and feed everyone.

I look forward to discussing how I can be of greatest service to the Secretary and your

Department.

Sincerely,
José

From: [Young, Joby - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Merry S. Lin \(merry.s.lin@who.eop.gov\)](#)
Subject: Fwd: Retail & Food Supply Chain Stability Interagency Coordination
Date: Monday, March 16, 2020 1:30:08 PM
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Subject: RE: Retail & Food Supply Chain Stability Interagency Coordination

Merry –

Per our conversation, below is some very high-level input from USDA re: federal continuity and potential issues for PCC coordination. This list should not be taken as exhaustive. We will continue to work internally on resourcing/issue identification at USDA to prepare for future coordinated efforts. Thanks!

Mary Dee

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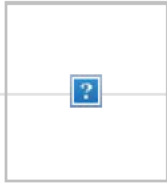
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Many thanks, Joby. Look forward to the draft tomorrow. Per our call, we'll hold the first Supply Chain PCC meeting on Wednesday. Will circulate the invite when ready.

Merry

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Thanks for the call Merry. Happy to hear that food supply will now be coordinated through this PCC. We are happy to lead. Copying others in WH that I have talked with on these issues for awareness.

We will plan to deliver a first draft of identified considerations midday tomorrow.

-Joby

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From: Lin, Merry S. EOP/WHO <Merry.S.Lin@who.eop.gov>
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Subject: Retail & Food Supply Chain Stability Interagency Coordination

Good afternoon Brian,

Reaching out to best coordinate an item of interagency concern across the right interagency parties, and aligned with WH/NSC channels, existing efforts, comms coordination.

FEMA, DHS/CISA, DOC, USDA, FDA, HHS, CDC, DOT joined via teleconference to discuss retail and grocery supply chain concerns this afternoon. As all are very aware, (b) (5), DPP

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I'll defer to FEMA and CISA for additional input.

Best,
Amie

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To: [Bennett, Elizabeth T. EOP/WHO](#)
Subject: Re: Democrat Phase 4 legislation Ag provisions summary
Date: Tuesday, May 12, 2020 7:24:05 PM

I will also let you know if I (b) (5), DPP [REDACTED]
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From: "Bennett, Elizabeth T. EOP/WHO" <Elizabeth.T.Bennett@who.eop.gov>
Date: Tuesday, May 12, 2020 at 7:22 PM
To: "Barbic, Ken - OSEC, Washington, DC" <Ken.Barbic@usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Democrat Phase 4 legislation Ag provisions summary

Thank you! Will not share. Appreciate you. I'm sure it was not easy to pull together

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On May 12, 2020, at 7:14 PM, Barbic, Ken - OSEC, Washington, DC
<Ken.Barbic@usda.gov> wrote:

FYI-please don't forward this, but pull as you'd like and give me a call if you'd like to discuss further!

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Sir,

Attached is a summary of the key USDA/Ag provisions in the phase 4 bill. I have pulled (b) (5), DPP [REDACTED]
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Date: Sunday, April 26, 2020 5:33:43 PM

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Sent: Sunday, April 26, 2020 5:04:24 PM
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Subject: RE: from José Andrés - let's keep America fed!

Brandon,
OK by you if I offer 3:00 tomorrow?
Sally

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Sent: Sunday, April 26, 2020 2:33 PM
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Cc: Lindsay, Sally - OSEC Washington, DC <Sally.Lindsay@usda.gov>
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Hi José -

Thanks for reaching out. We look forward to visiting.

Thanks,

Brandon

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Thank you-

Joby

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Dear Ivanka,

I love what this Farmers to Families plan has the potential to do, and hope I can share an important perspective from our "boots on the ground" work across the country. Everywhere we are, it's small farms, small businesses, and small non-profits that are suffering the most. The strain on local producers has been disproportionate, just as the mom and pop restaurants have had the most difficult time being reached by the relief efforts and community organizations and churches have been overwhelmed by how the additional need has impacted them. I know this initiative will be a big first step to addressing the food crisis, and see here an opportunity to enact future efforts that ensure that we engage all sectors of the food supply chain:

- Small farms, processors, and distributors should be empowered by the federal government to be resilient and on the leading edge of our crisis response & economic recovery. AMS should guarantee a portion of the CFAP funds be allocated to small business offerors and for purchases from small farmers.
- Restaurants and foodservice providers can be included more, since they represent more than 15 million jobs and nearly \$1 trillion in spending that is severely underutilized. No one is better than restaurants at making sure money distributes across the system to reach small farmers, suppliers, and delivery companies!
- We must widen efforts beyond the large conglomerates and processing facilities, which are overburdened and in many cases unprepared to safely operate against the virus. Small businesses may not be as adept at government contracting, but with the help of state farm

bureaus, restaurant associations, etc. we can give them the tools they need to be part of the solution.

Joby and Brandon - I welcome the opportunity to follow up on what we've been doing. We agree whole-heartedly that this is a time to be innovative, entrepreneurial, to use all of the power of government and the efficiency of the private sector, restaurants, and foodservice businesses together with the local expertise and heart of non-profit and faith-based organizations. We can all be proud of the work that USDA has done to act quickly for the American people, and I know there's so much potential to put what we know at the service of the country. My team will reach out to coordinate a phone call this week.

I appreciate your consideration and the opportunity to support your great work.

José

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- Just last week, [we announced a commitment to serve 1 million meals](#) that we fund directly through a network of 500+ local restaurants, at a cost that allows them to hire back their staff and buy from farmers and distributors, all while serving nutritious hot meals to the elderly, struggling families, and frontline health workers. These meals are being distributed either by our volunteers directly, by a local network of churches and soup kitchens, with the help of local officials, or in partnership with the food delivery companies. And in many places, we're buying from local farmers and farm bureaus so that people can not only get a hot meal from us, but also a produce box for home so they can avoid going out for food each day. With just the power of great idea, we're strengthening state and local economies and feeding communities at the same time.
- [Right here at Nationals Park in DC \(go Nats!\) we've activated the kitchens in the concession stands](#) to meet high levels of demand where homeless shelters, senior centers, and local food banks are unable to keep up due to the strain on the system. We're doing the same thing near the Javitz Center in NY, and launching tomorrow at Camden Yards. Every local official we've worked with across the country knows the huge potential to feed people if we use these resources – arenas, convention centers, big

cafeterias and dining halls – in a smart way. If we can add the leadership of the great men and women of our National Guard with the purchasing power of USDA, every one of these locations can become a temporary food bank or meal distribution center overnight.

- From Little Rock to Los Angeles, we are partnered with school districts to find innovative ways to feed students and families. Wherever we can, we are training school staff in safe COVID protocols to avoid shutting down due to the virus. More than that, we're supplementing the reimbursed meals that students receive with food that their families can take home as well. Whenever possible, we are helping distribute these meals in the community when not everybody can come to the school; other times, we are providing intel so that bus drivers can drop off meals strategically along their routes.
- With SNAP and P-EBT, we know there are more flexible ways to allow people to redeem that also generate economic benefits from farmers and for businesses. I love what you are doing with the online purchasing pilot. I think there is room to allow for hot meal purchases as well, and a national Restaurant Meals Program would go such a long way to helping local restaurants afford the cost of providing affordable, nutritious meals – which many are already doing on their own dime.

There is much more I could say here, but I hope first to understand how I can best help you to keep winning this fight. Many sectors of the food supply chain are still underutilized, from distributors to restaurants to schools, and we can lessen the enormous strain on farmers and food banks by thinking outside the box on how to get everybody in between off of the sidelines. I do believe that we can work together to prevent a humanitarian food crisis from adding to the health and economic crises we face. After all, food is a national security issue – “the destiny of the nations will depend on how they feed themselves.” Or in your words, do right and feed everyone.

I look forward to discussing how I can be of greatest service to the Secretary and your Department.

Sincerely,
José

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Hey Vince,

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Vince:

To shorten the turnaround time, I am adding the chief of staff to USDA who can get you what you need directly. I'm also adding Tim who's dialed in on this as well.

Let me know what else you need from me.

John

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> Whether a public or private call, speechwriting will want to prep a one pager.

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Hey Vince,

We'll get you something back ASAP.

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Vince:

To shorten the turnaround time, I am adding the chief of staff to USDA who can get you what you need directly. I'm also adding Tim who's dialed in on this as well.

Let me know what else you need from me.

John

> On Mar 14, 2020, at 5:59 PM, Haley, Vincent M. EOP/WHO

<Vincent.M.Haley@who.eop.gov> wrote:

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> Hi John -

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> I know you are reaching out to USDA for building blocks / suggested questions for tomorrow's call.

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> Can you share with folks on this email when you get them so we can prepare a one pager for POTUS?

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> Whether a public or private call, speechwriting will want to prep a one pager.

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> Thanks.

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> Vince

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> Sent from my iPhone

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