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Mr. John Frassinelli
State of Connecticut, Dept of Health
410 Capitol Avenue, MS#11WIC
Hartford, Connecticut 06134

Dear Mr. Frassinelli:

We are pleased to advise you that the Connecticut Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC Program) has been selected to receive fiscal year (FY) 2010 WIC miscellaneous technology project grant funds in the amount of **$391,270**. This grant is the result of the Food and Nutrition Service' (FNS) announcement of the availability of funding under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) for technology enhancements.

The FY 2010 grant is provided for those items listed below:

Priority	Line Item Description	Amount
Priority #1	MIS update for new food package implementation (project manager)	$26,390
Priority #3	WIC system assessment and new management information system (MIS) planning project – contractor planning services	$355,480
Priority #3	WIC system assessment and new management information system planning project – State travel during planning phase	$9,400

The use of the funds for MIS planning ($364,880) is contingent upon FNS approval of a Planning Advance Planning Document (PAPD). **The PAPD must be submitted to FNS no later than January 15, 2010**. Your FNS regional office can advise you on documents that may be required.

We have enclosed for your signature the FY 2010 WIC Miscellaneous Technology Project Grant/Cooperative Agreement form FNS 529. This Agreement is to provide ARRA funding to support the technology projects described above, and covers the period of October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2011. Grantees are required to return three copies of the FNS-529 form with an original signature, in blue ink, on each document by **October 23, 2009**. Please send your signed copies via overnight mail to:

Lael Lubing, Director
Grants & Fiscal Policy Division
Food and Nutrition Service
3101 Park Center Drive, Room 738
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Pre-award costs are allowed only if those costs were incurred no more than 90 days prior to the start of the grant award period. Therefore, $71,961 in food package implementation costs occurring between October 1, 2008 and June 30, 2009 was not awarded.

ARRA reporting is required in addition to agency reporting requirements.

Congratulations on your grant award.

Sincerely,

DEBRA R. WHITFORD
Director
Supplemental Food Programs Division

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Director
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Enclosure