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The Honorable Dannel P. Malloy
Governor of Connecticut
State Capitol
210 Capitol Avenue
Hartford, Connecticut 06106

Dear Governor Malloy:

The Employment and Training Administration (ETA) is pleased to respond to your request for a waiver of statutory and regulatory requirements under the Workforce Investment Act (WIA). This action is taken under the Secretary's authority to waive certain requirements of WIA Title I, Subtitles B and E, and sections 8-10 of the Wagner-Peyser Act. The request was written in the format identified in WIA section 189(i)(4)(B) and 20 CFR 661.420(c), and meets the standard for approval at 20 CFR 661.420(e). The following is the disposition of the State's waiver request (copy enclosed).

Waiver of WIA Section 134(a)(2)(B)(iii) and 20 CFR 665.200(e) to exempt a State from the requirement to provide local workforce investment area incentive grants.

The State has requested a waiver of the requirement to provide local workforce investment areas incentive grants to reward regional cooperation, local coordination of activities, and exemplary performance. The State is granted this waiver July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2014.

The approved waiver is incorporated by reference into the State's WIA Grant Agreement, as provided for under paragraph 3 of the executed Agreement, and this constitutes a modification of the State Plan. A copy of this letter should be filed with the State's WIA Grant Agreement and the approved State Plan. In addition, as required by TEGP No. 29-11, the State should address the impact this waiver has had on the State's performance in the WIA annual performance report, due on October 1 of each year.

We look forward to continuing our partnership with you and achieving better workforce outcomes. If you have any questions related to the issues discussed above, please contact Amanda Shaffer, the Federal Project Officer for Connecticut, at Shaffer.Amanda@dol.gov or (617) 788-0124.

Sincerely,


Eric M. Seleznow
Acting Assistant Secretary

Enclosure

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