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Leon McCowan
Regional Hub Director
Administration for Children and Families
Room 1700
1200 Main Tower Building
Dallas, Texas 75202

Dear Mr. McCowan:

During the 1998 Session of the New Mexico Legislature, the New Mexico Works Act of 1998 was passed. The act statutorily creates a New Mexico TANF program, the New Mexico Works program. I signed the bill into law on February 18, 1998. The act makes extensive changes to New Mexico's TANF program. The state is hereby submitting an amendment in whole of its federal fiscal year 1997-1998 biennial TANF plan to incorporate the new statutory provisions.

The department will notify the public about the amended plan as required under PRWORA Section 401 c, as amended by the Balanced Budget Act of 1998, as a part of the rulemaking process. The department anticipates issuance of the public notice no later than March 31, 1998.

If there are any questions about this amendment, Tom Clayton, Esq., Director of the Income Support Division may be contacted at (505) 827-7250.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gary E. Johnson".

Gary E. Johnson
Governor

Attachment: Amendment #1 - New Mexico TANF Plan