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John W. Hickenlooper
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Director

January 18, 2011

David J. McDermott, CPA
Colorado State Controller
Department of Personnel and Administration
633 17th Street, Suite 1500
Denver, CO 80202

Dear Mr. McDermott:

On behalf of Governor John W. Hickenlooper, I am directing the State Controller's Office to restrict federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families funds in several line items throughout the Department of Human Services. Although these are federal funds, the headnotes in SB 11-209 allow the Legislature to limit the amount of expenditures of Temporary Assistance to Needy Families funds. For FY 2011-12, the appropriation was set with the anticipation that federal funding would be awarded to the state at a higher level than has actually occurred. The Temporary Assistance to Needy Families Supplemental Grant award has not yet been authorized by Congress in the current fiscal year. Due to this lower level of federal funding and uncertainty over receipt of further federal awards in the current fiscal year, the Executive seeks to restrict the appropriations listed below. This will align the expenditure limits with the federal funds that are currently available and allow flexibility should the federal grant funds originally anticipated become available.

TANF Appropriation	Federal Funds
Colorado Works County Block Grants	\$514,778
Low Income Energy Assistance Program	\$1,500,000
Colorado Works County Block Grant Support Fund	\$1,000,000
Colorado Works Administrations – Personal Services	\$100,000
Refugee Services	\$100,000
Colorado Works Program Maintenance Fund	\$100,000
Colorado Works Administration – Training	\$55,000
Domestic Abuse Program	\$30,000
Total	\$3,399,778

Further Guidance

Restrictions may be lifted if the appropriation is revised by the General Assembly in an appropriations bill, a special bill has passed amending the appropriation, or upon request of this

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Office. *Should additional federal funding become available to the state in the current fiscal year, it is likely that the Executive will request that some or all of these restrictions be lifted.* Please contact me at 303/866-3317 if you have any questions about this letter. Thank you for your continued assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Henry Sobanet". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Henry Sobanet, Director
Governor's Office
Office of State Planning and Budgeting

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