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TO:

Child and Adult Care Food Program Sponsors

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Requirements of Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act

CCFP MEMO #09-8 AFP MEMO #09-7 FDC MEMO #09-9

The Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) was signed into law in September 2006 (P.L. 109-282). The purpose of this Act is to provide all United States citizens with detailed information on how federal funding is expended. Therefore, all recipients and subrecipients of federal funding assistance are required to report funding data to a publicly accessible federal website: www.usaspending.gov.

All agencies participating in any of the federal Child Nutrition Programs (National School Lunch, School Breakfast, or Special Milk Programs, Child and Adult Care Food Program, Summer Food Service Programs) are subject to the requirements and rules of the FFATA. Initial requirements for this process include the following two steps:

- 1. Each organization must obtain its unique identifier, identified as a DUNS number (the Dun and Bradstreet (D&B) Data Universal Numbering System. (Your organization may already have a DUNS number. If you are not sure, consult your organization's business office, chief financial officer, grant administrator or authorizing official).
- 2. Each organization must obtain Central Contractor Registration (CCR), and maintain a current CCR registration at all times during which it receives federal funding. (Annual renewal of CCR registration is required to remain active.)

These two processes can be completed on line, by visiting the website address below:

http://www.ccr.gov/StartRegistration.aspx

Both requirements must be met before a sponsor may be approved to participate in the Child and Adult Care Food Program for the 2010 agreement year. Therefore, sponsors must be sure to obtain a DUNS number and CCR registration prior to completing the 2010 application renewal package. The 2010 CACFP renewal process will not be completed and approved unless this required data is provided. This information will be collected along with the other required application documents. The Sponsor Management Plan and Worksheet Schedule A requesting additional information pertaining to the FFATA will be forthcoming.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.