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Mr. Gustavo Velasquez  
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Dear Mr. Velasquez:

Pursuant to the Disaster Relief Appropriations Act, 2013 (the Act), the Department has awarded a grant of \$70,359,459 in Community Development Block Grant disaster recovery (CDBG-DR) funds to the State of California under grant number B-13-DS-06-0001. These funds have been fully obligated to the grantee. The Act requires funds to be expended within 24 months following obligation unless an extension of that deadline has been authorized by the Office of Management and Budget and approved by HUD.

On May 11, 2015, the Department published a *Federal Register* Notice outlining the process and criteria for a grantee receiving funds under the Act to receive an extension of an expenditure deadline (80 FR 26942). Pursuant to that Notice, the Department previously provided the State of California with an extension of the expenditure deadline for its unexpended CDBG-DR funds until September 30, 2022, the maximum period authorized under the Act for the expenditure of funds.

The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 enacted on December 27, 2020, provides all grantees under the Act with one additional year for the expenditure of these CDBG-DR funds. Accordingly, the Department is revising the period of performance for this grant to require the expenditure of all grant funds by September 30, 2023. The Department cautions that while the period of performance for this grant has been extended to match the full revised expenditure period of these CDBG-DR funds, vouchers must be submitted in advance of this expenditure deadline to allow sufficient time for processing and payment. Additional guidance on voucher submission deadlines will be provided.

The Department advises the State of California to make any necessary amendments to its written Action Plan and its Quarterly Expenditure Projections to reflect the new statutory expenditure deadline. The Department will coordinate with the grantee to revise the Action Plan and Block Dates in the Disaster Recovery Grant Reporting System as needed, and to take any other appropriate action.

Thank you for your interest in the Department's programs.

Sincerely,

Kevin J. Bush  
Deputy Assistant Secretary  
for Grant Programs