# Cash Management Improvement Act Agreement between The State of Louisiana and

# The Secretary of the Treasury, United States Department of the Treasury

The Secretary of the Treasury, United States Department of the Treasury (hereafter 'Secretary'), and State of Louisiana (hereafter 'State'), in order to implement Section 5 of the Cash Management Improvement Act of 1990, as amended (hereafter 'Act'), agree as follows:

#### 1.0 AGENTS OF THE AGREEMENT

- 1.1 The Authorized Official(s) for the State of Louisiana shall be the Commissioner of Administration in all matters concerning this Agreement.
- 1.2 The Assistant Commissioner, Revenue Collections Management, Bureau of the Fiscal Service (Fiscal Service), U.S. Department of the Treasury, shall act as the Secretary's representative in all matters concerning this Agreement.

#### 2.0 AUTHORITY

- 2.1 The authority for this Agreement is the Cash Management Improvement Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-453), as amended by the Cash Management Improvement Act of 1992 (Public Law 102-589), codified at 31 U.S.C. 6501 and 31 U.S.C. 6503.
- 2.2 The regulations codified at 31 CFR Part 205 shall apply to all matters pertaining to this Agreement, and are incorporated herein by reference. In the event of any inconsistency between this Agreement and 31 CFR Part 205, the regulations shall govern.

#### 3.0 DURATION, AMENDING, TERMINATING, AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- 3.1 This Agreement shall take effect on 07/01/2022 and shall remain in effect until 06/30/2023.
- 3.2 This Agreement may be amended at any time by written, mutual consent of the State and the Fiscal Service. This Agreement shall be amended annually to incorporate new programs that qualify as major Federal assistance programs and remove programs that no longer qualify as major Federal assistance programs. A State must notify the Fiscal Service in writing within 30 days of the time the State becomes aware of a change that involves additions or deletions of programs subject to Subpart A, changes in funding techniques, and/or changes in clearance patterns. The notification must include a proposed amendment for review by the Fiscal Service.
- 3.3 Notwithstanding section 3.2, in the event of Federal or State non-compliance with Subpart B of 31 CFR, Part 205, the Fiscal Service may amend this Agreement at any time to incorporate additional programs and the entities that administer those programs.
- 3.4 This Agreement may be terminated by either party with 30 days written notice. If this Agreement is terminated, the Fiscal Service will prescribe the funding techniques, clearance patterns, and methods for calculating interest liabilities to be used by the State.

#### 4.0 PROGRAMS COVERED

4.1 The State's threshold and its major Federal assistance programs shall be determined based on State Single Audit Report for fiscal year ending 06/30/2020.

All major Federal assistance programs shall be covered by this Agreement, unless otherwise specified in section 4.4 of this Agreement.

4.2 The State's threshold for major Federal assistance programs is \$60,000,000.

The following programs meet or exceed the threshold and are not excluded in Section 4.4:

| CFDA    | Program Name   |
|---------|--|
| 10.551  | Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program  |
| 10.553  | School Breakfast Program   |
| 10.555  | National School Lunch Program  |
| 10.557  | Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children                |
| 10.558  | Child and Adult Care Food Program  |
| 10.561  | State Administrative Matching Grants for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program |
| 14.228  | Community Development Block Grants/State's Program                                     |
| 17.225F | Unemployment Insurance Federal Benefit Account and                                     |
|         | Administrative Costs   |
| 17.225S | Unemployment Insurance State Benefit Account   |
| 20.205  | Highway Planning and Construction  |
| 84.010  | Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies   |
| 84.027  | Special Education Grants to States   |
| 93.558  | Temporary Assistance for Needy Families  |
| 93.575  | Child Care and Development Block Grant   |
| 93.767  | Children's Health Insurance Program  |
| 93.778  | Medical Assistance Program   |
| 97.036  | Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared                           |
|         | Disasters)   |
| 97.039  | Hazard Mitigation Grant  |

4.3 The following programs fall below the State's threshold but have been required to be covered by Fiscal Service in accordance with the non-compliance provisions of Subpart B of 31 CFR Part 205:

There are currently no programs listed for Section 4.3.

4.4 The following programs exceed the State's threshold but have been excluded from coverage for the reason indicated:

| CFDA   | Program Name                        | Exclusion Reason |
|--------|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| 93.268 | Immunization Cooperative Agreements | Non-Cash         |

#### 5.0 ENTITIES COVERED

5.1 State agencies and instrumentalities that meet the definition of a State per 31 CFR Part 205, shall be subject to the terms of this Agreement. The following is a list of such entities that administer funds under the programs listed in Section

4.0 of this Agreement:

Department of Children and Family Services

Department of Education

Department of Transportation and Development

**Executive Department** 

Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness

Louisiana Department of Health

#### Louisiana Workforce Commission

5.2 Entities that meet the definition of a Fiscal Agent per 31 CFR Part 205 shall be subject to the terms of this Agreement. The following is a list of Fiscal Agents that administer funds under the programs listed in the Section 4.0 of this Agreement:

| Fiscal Agent                          | CFDA   | Program Name                            |
|---------------------------------------|--------|---|
| Conduent State & Local Solutions, Inc | 10.551 | Supplemental Nutrition Assistance       |
|                                       |        | Program                                 |
| Solutran                              | 10.557 | Special Supplemental Nutrition Program  |
|                                       |        | for Women, Infants, and Children        |
| Conduent State & Local Solutions, Inc | 93.558 | Temporary Assistance for Needy Families |

#### 6.0 FUNDING TECHNIQUES

#### 6.1 General Terms

- 6.1.1 The State shall request Federal funds in accordance with the appropriate cut-off times shown in Exhibit I to ensure funds will be received and credited to a State account by the times specified in the funding techniques. Exhibit I is incorporated by reference herein.
- 6.1.2 The State shall schedule the receipt of Federal funds such that the funds are received and credited to a State account in accordance with the clearance patterns specified in Exhibit II List of State Clearance Patterns. Exhibit II is incorporated by reference herein.
- 6.1.3 In instances where the receipt of funds is scheduled for a Saturday, the State shall request funds for deposit on Friday. In instances where the receipt of funds is scheduled for a Sunday, the State shall request funds for deposit on Monday. In instances where the receipt of Federal funds is scheduled for deposit on a day when the State is not open for business, the State shall request funds for deposit the day following the scheduled day; in instances where the receipt of Federal funds is scheduled for deposit on a day when the Federal Government is not open for business, the State shall request funds for deposit the day prior to the scheduled day.

#### 6.1.4 Estimates and Reconciliation of Estimates:

Where estimated expenditures are used to determine the amount of the drawdown, the State will indicate in the terms of the State unique funding technique how the estimated amount is determined and when and how the State will reconcile the difference between the estimate and the State's actual expenditures.

#### 6.1.5 Supplemental Funding:

Unless otherwise defined by program rules, Supplemental Funding is the award of additional funds to provide for an increase in costs due to unforeseen circumstances.

The State will comply with all Federal program agency policies and procedures for requesting supplemental grant funding.

The State will comply with the following guidelines when requesting supplemental funding for the Medical Assistance Program and associated administrative payments (CFDA 93.778):

The State must submit a revised Medicaid Program Budget Report (CMS-37) to request supplemental funding. The CMS guidelines and instructions for completing the CMS-37 are provided in Section 2600F of the State Medicaid Manual (SMM). The CMS/CO must receive the revised Form CMS-37 through the Medicaid Budget Expenditure System/Children's Budget Expenditure System (MBES/CBES) no later than 10 calendar days before the end of the quarter for which the supplemental grant award is being requested.

Additional guidance on this policy is available from the respective CMS Regional Office, U.S. Department of Health & Human Services.

The State will comply with the following guidelines when requesting supplemental funding for TANF (CFDA 93.558), CCDF (CFDA 93.575), CSE (93.563), and the FC/AA (CFDA 93.658 and CFDA 93.659) programs administered by the U.S. Department of Human Services, Administration for Children and Families (HHS/ACF):

#### a. Timing of the Request

A State should initiate its request for supplemental funding during a quarter as soon as it becomes aware of the fact that a shortfall does/will exist. For the TANF and CCDF grants, supplemental funding requests (estimates) may be submitted by a State, for consideration by ACF, up through and including the 15th day of the third month of the first, second or third quarter of any fiscal year. Since TANF and CCDF are block grant programs, all unawarded portions of the annual allotment will automatically be issued at the beginning of the fourth quarter. Therefore, supplemental funding requests will not be available during the fourth quarter for these programs. For the CSE and FC/AA programs, supplemental funding requests may be submitted by a state, for consideration by ACF, up through and including the 15th day of the third month of any quarter of a fiscal year.

#### b. Justification for the Request

The request for a supplemental funding for any of the above-mentioned programs should contain a justification clearly documenting the need for the additional funding authority during the current quarter. This documentation should be in the form of State accounting records or similar documents that will show the actual expenditures through the most recent month for which such data are available, as well as the State's most accurate projection of its anticipated expenditures during the remaining month(s) of the quarter. For either the TANF or the CCDF program, the State's justification should also include an explanation of the activities requiring the obligation and/or expenditure of amounts that exceed the normal quarterly grant award restrictions and why these activities could not have been delayed until the next quarter.

#### c. Form Submittal

Supplemental funding requests should be made by completing the appropriate ACF quarterly report of expenditures and estimates applicable to the particular program for which the grant award request is being made.

#### d. Approval Process

Upon receipt of the state's request for additional funding authority for a quarter, the ACF Regional Office will promptly review the supporting documentation. If the request is properly justified, so long as ACF has adequate funding availability, the State's request will be expedited and supplemental funding will be issued within 5 days of ACF receiving the request. The State will be notified by the Regional Office when the supplemental award has been transmitted to the Payment Management System (PMS) and when it may initiate drawdowns against the supplemental funding.

Additional guidance on this policy is provided in the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, letter (May 19, 2004) to State Administrators from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Administration.

#### 6.2 Description of Funding Techniques

6.2.1 The following are terms under which standard funding techniques shall be implemented for all transfers of funds to which the funding technique is applied in section 6.3.2 of this Agreement.

| Funding Technique Name                   | Description  |
|--|--|
| Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment | The State shall request funds the same day it pays out funds, in accordance with the appropriate Federal agency cut-off time specified in Exhibit I. A Federal agency will deposit funds in a State account the same day as requested. The amount of the request shall be for the amount of funds that clear the State's account that day. This funding technique is interest neutral. |
| Average Clearance                        | The State shall request funds such that they are deposited by ACH on the dollar-weighted average day of clearance for the disbursement, in accordance with the clearance pattern specified in Exhibit II. The request shall be made in accordance with the appropriate Federal agency cut-off time specified in Exhibit I. The amount of the   |

| request shall be for the exact amount of that disbursement. This funding technique is |
|---|
| interest neutral.   |

6.2.2 The following are terms under which funding techniques for administrative costs shall be implemented for all transfers of funds to which the funding technique is applied in section 6.3.2 of this Agreement.

There are currently no funding techniques listed in Section 6.2.2.

6.2.3 The following are terms under which miscellaneous funding techniques shall be implemented for all transfers of funds to which the funding technique is applied in section 6.3.2 of this Agreement.

There are currently no funding techniques listed in Section 6.2.3.

6.2.4 The following are terms under which State unique funding techniques shall be implemented for all transfers of funds to which the funding technique is applied in section 6.3.2 of this Agreement.

| Funding Technique Name                   | Description   |
|--|---|
| Actual and Adjusted Estimate             | Administrative costs for all programs will be drawn at the same time as payroll. The      |
|  | request shall be made in accordance with the appropriate Federal agency cut-off time      |
|  | specified in Exhibit I. The draw will consist of an amount to fund the actual             |
|  | expenditures of the prior week and an amount to fund the estimated expenditures of        |
|  | the current/upcoming week based on year to date actual expenditures. The estimated        |
|  | draws will be adjusted for variances between the most recent estimate and actual          |
|  | expenditures each time a draw is made. This funding technique is interest neutral.        |
| Actual at Fixed Intervals                | The State shall request funds at a fixed interval, i.e., bi-weekly, monthly, quarterly,   |
|  | etc., for the actual program expenditures of the period prior to the draw. The request    |
|  | shall be made in accordance with the appropriate Federal agency cut-off time              |
|  | specified in Exhibit I. The amount of the request shall be for the exact amount of the    |
|  | previous period's disbursements. This funding technique is interest neutral.              |
| Allocation of Payroll and Administrative | The State will request funds on a bi-weekly basis. The request shall be made in           |
| Costs                                    | accordance with the appropriate Federal agency cut-off time specified in Exhibit I.       |
|  | Administrative costs for all programs are to be drawn at the same time as payroll         |
|  | costs. The draw will be completed to meet the cash requirements based on the most         |
|  | recent certified cost allocations with subsequent adjustments completed pursuant to       |
|  | the actual allocation of costs. This funding technique is interest neutral.               |
| Payroll and Administrative - Fixed       | The State shall request funds once at a fixed interval, i.e., bi-weekly, monthly,         |
| Frequency                                | quarterly, etc., such that they are deposited to fund the actual activity of the previous |
|  | period. The request shall be made in accordance with the appropriate Federal agency       |
|  | cut-off time specified in Exhibit I. The amount of the request shall be based on the      |
|  | amount of the actual cash outlays for payroll and administrative costs during the         |
|  | previous period. This funding technique is interest neutral.                              |

- 6.3 Application of Funding Techniques to Programs
- 6.3.1 The State shall apply the following funding techniques when requesting Federal funds for the component cash flows of the programs listed in sections 4.2 and 4.3 of this Agreement.

#### 6.3.2 Programs

Below are programs listed in Section 4.2 and Section 4.3.

10.551 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Recipient: Department of Children and Family Services

% of Funds Agency Receives: 100 Component: Assistance Payments - EBT

Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

10.553 School Breakfast ProgramRecipient: Department of Education% of Funds Agency Receives: 100

Component: Payments to Parishes, Universities, Public Schools and

**Daycare Providers** 

Technique: Average Clearance Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

10.555 National School Lunch ProgramRecipient: Department of Education% of Funds Agency Receives: 100

Component: Payments to Parishes, Universities, Public Schools and

**Daycare Providers** 

Technique: Average Clearance Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

10.557 Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants,

and Children

Recipient: Louisiana Department of Health % of Funds Agency Receives: 22.31 Component: Administrative Costs Technique: Actual and Adjusted Estimate Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

10.557 Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants,

and Children

Recipient: Louisiana Department of Health % of Funds Agency Receives: 57.12 Component: Vouchers and EBT

Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

10.557 Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants,

and Children

Recipient: Louisiana Department of Health % of Funds Agency Receives: 20.57

Component: Payroll

Technique: Allocation of Payroll and Administrative Costs

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

10.558 Child and Adult Care Food Program

Recipient: Department of Education % of Funds Agency Receives: 100

Component: Payments to Parishes, Universities, Public Schools and

**Daycare Providers** 

Technique: Average Clearance Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

10.561 State Administrative Matching Grants for the Supplemental

Nutrition Assistance Program

Recipient: Department of Children and Family Services

% of Funds Agency Receives: 100

Component: Payroll and Administrative Costs

Technique: Allocation of Payroll and Administrative Costs

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

14.228 Community Development Block Grants/State's Program

Recipient: Executive Department % of Funds Agency Receives: 85

Component: Disaster Recovery Program Costs

Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

14.228 Community Development Block Grants/State's Program

Recipient: Executive Department % of Funds Agency Receives: 7 Component: CDBG Program Costs

Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

14.228 Community Development Block Grants/State's Program

Recipient: Executive Department % of Funds Agency Receives: 7

Component: Disaster Recovery Administrative Costs

Technique: Actual at Fixed Intervals Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

14.228 Community Development Block Grants/State's Program

Recipient: Executive Department % of Funds Agency Receives: 1

Component: CDBG Administrative Costs Technique: Actual and Adjusted Estimate Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

17.225F Unemployment Insurance -- Federal Benefit Account and

Administrative Costs

Recipient: Louisiana Workforce Commission

% of Funds Agency Receives: 83.54 Component: Benefits Payments - Federal

Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

17.225F Unemployment Insurance -- Federal Benefit Account and

Administrative Costs

Recipient: Louisiana Workforce Commission

% of Funds Agency Receives: 15.06 Component: Benefits Payments - State

Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

17.225F Unemployment Insurance -- Federal Benefit Account and

Administrative Costs

Recipient: Louisiana Workforce Commission

% of Funds Agency Receives: 1.4 Component: Administrative Costs Technique: Actual and Adjusted Estimate Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

17.225S Unemployment Insurance -- State Benefit Account

Recipient: Louisiana Workforce Commission

% of Funds Agency Receives: 100 Component: Benefit Payments - State

Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

20.205 Highway Planning and Construction

Recipient: Department of Transportation and Development

% of Funds Agency Receives: 79.07 Component: Capital Projects Technique: Average Clearance Average Day of Clearance: 2 Days

20.205 Highway Planning and Construction

Recipient: Department of Transportation and Development

% of Funds Agency Receives: 8.4

Component: Payroll

Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

20.205 Highway Planning and Construction

Recipient: Department of Transportation and Development

% of Funds Agency Receives: 12.53

Component: Indirect Costs Technique: Average Clearance Average Day of Clearance: 2 Days

84.010 Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies

Recipient: Department of Education % of Funds Agency Receives: 99.27 Component: Program Expenditures

Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

84.010 Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies

Recipient: Department of Education % of Funds Agency Receives: .73

Component: Payroll & Administrative Costs

Technique: Payroll and Administrative - Fixed Frequency

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

84.027 Special Education -- Grants to States

Recipient: Department of Education % of Funds Agency Receives: 91.75 Component: Program Expenditures

Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

84.027 Special Education -- Grants to States

Recipient: Department of Education % of Funds Agency Receives: 8.25

Component: Payroll & Administrative Costs

Technique: Payroll and Administrative - Fixed Frequency

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

93.558 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families

Recipient: Department of Children and Family Services

% of Funds Agency Receives: 8.59 Component: Assistance Payments - EBT

Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

93.558 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families

Recipient: Department of Children and Family Services

% of Funds Agency Receives: .07

Component: Assistance Payments - EFT Findwork Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

93.558 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families

Recipient: Department of Children and Family Services

% of Funds Agency Receives: 48.72 Component: TANF Contract Payments Technique: Actual at Fixed Intervals Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

93.558 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families

Recipient: Department of Children and Family Services

% of Funds Agency Receives: 42.62 Component: Payroll & Administrative Costs Technique: Actual at Fixed Intervals Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

93.575 Child Care and Development Block Grant

Recipient: Department of Education % of Funds Agency Receives: 83.77 Component: Program Expenditures

Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

93.575 Child Care and Development Block Grant

Recipient: Department of Education % of Funds Agency Receives: 16.23

Component: Payroll & Administrative Costs

Technique: Payroll and Administrative - Fixed Frequency

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

93.767 Children's Health Insurance Program Recipient: Louisiana Department of Health

% of Funds Agency Receives: 2.49

Component: Payroll

Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

93.767 Children's Health Insurance Program Recipient: Louisiana Department of Health % of Funds Agency Receives: 95.41

Component: Children's Insurance Benefits - EFT

Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

93.767 Children's Health Insurance Program Recipient: Louisiana Department of Health

% of Funds Agency Receives: 2.1

Component: Medicaid Administrative Cost Grant

Technique: Actual and Adjusted Estimate Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

93.778 Medical Assistance Program

Recipient: Louisiana Department of Health

% of Funds Agency Receives: .02

Component: Electronic Health Records - EHR

Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

93.778 Medical Assistance Program

Recipient: Louisiana Department of Health

% of Funds Agency Receives: 87.45

Component: Medicaid Benefits - EFT

Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

93.778 Medical Assistance Program Recipient: Louisiana Department of Health

% of Funds Agency Receives: 7.07

Component: Medicaid Benefits and Disproportionate Share Pool

Payments - EFT

Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

93.778 Medical Assistance Program Recipient: Louisiana Department of Health

% of Funds Agency Receives: 3.09 Component: Medicare Buy-In Premiums

Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

93.778 Medical Assistance Program

Recipient: Louisiana Department of Health

% of Funds Agency Receives: 1.29 Component: Payroll

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Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

93.778 Medical Assistance Program

Recipient: Louisiana Department of Health

% of Funds Agency Receives: 1.08

Component: Medicaid Administrative Cost Grant

Technique: Actual and Adjusted Estimate Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

97.036 Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared

Disasters)

Recipient: Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency

Preparedness

% of Funds Agency Receives: 0 Component: State Subrecipient - EFT

Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment

Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

 $97.036\ Disaster\ Grants-Public\ Assistance\ (Presidentially\ Declared$ 

Disasters)

Recipient: Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency

Preparedness

% of Funds Agency Receives: 28.84

Component: Payroll and Administrative Costs

Technique: Actual at Fixed Intervals Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

97.036 Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared

Disasters)

Recipient: Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency

Preparedness

% of Funds Agency Receives: 71.16 Component: Applicant Payments Technique: Average Clearance Average Day of Clearance: 1 Day 97.039 Hazard Mitigation Grant

Recipient: Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency

Preparedness

% of Funds Agency Receives: 12.69

Component: Payroll and Administrative Costs

Technique: Actual at Fixed Intervals Average Day of Clearance: 0 Days

97.039 Hazard Mitigation Grant

Recipient: Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency

Preparedness

% of Funds Agency Receives: 87.31 Component: Applicant Payments Technique: Average Clearance Average Day of Clearance: 1 Day

#### 6.3.3 Materiality Exemptions

Agencies exempt from coverage on the basis of materiality:

N/A

6.4.0 The State will request funds from the Federal granting agency based on estimates when a State or Federal holiday coincides with the release of checks for program components using an actual clearance pattern. These estimates will be based on historical data from prior check issuances of a similar nature. The estimates will be reconciled to actual check issuance data received from the financial system the checks were issued from. The subsequent drawdown of Federal funds will be adjusted to reflect the actual amount expended.

#### 7.0 CLEARANCE PATTERNS

7.1 The State shall develop separate clearance patterns for each of the following:

N/A

7.2 The following shall develop the State's clearance patterns:

Department of Education, Department of Transportation and Development and the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness

7.3 The sources of data the State shall use when developing its clearance patterns are as follows:

Check registers, checks cleared reports from the bank, and reconciliation tapes.

7.4 The State shall use the following methodology when developing its clearance patterns:

When developing each clearance pattern, the State shall track at least 99% of the funds disbursed, from issuance to clearance, for a period of at least three months.

- 7.5 The State shall identify for each check or warrant (hereafter, check) in the population: (1) the date the check was released for payment; (2) the date the check was debited from the State's account, and, (3) the amount of the check.
- 7.6 The State shall use the following method to calculate the dollar-weighted average day of clearance:

To determine the number of days each check was outstanding (clearance time), the issue date shall be subtracted from the date the check cleared the State's account.

To determine the percentage of the disbursement paid out each day following issuance, the amount of the checks that clear the State's account each day shall be summed and then divided by the amount of the total disbursement.

For each day following issuance, the clearance time of the checks paid out that day shall be multiplied by the percentage of the total disbursement those checks represent. This product is the clearance factor.

The dollar-weighted average day of clearance for the disbursement shall be determined by summing the clearance factor of each day following the disbursement.

7.7 The State shall adjust each clearance pattern to reflect the dollar-weighted proportion of funds paid out by EFT/Direct payroll, with the following exceptions:

N/A

The State shall also adjust each clearance pattern to reflect:

N/A

- 7.8 Each of the State's clearance patterns is calculated in Calendar days.
- 7.9 An authorized State official shall certify that each clearance pattern developed by the State accurately corresponds to the clearance activity of the programs to which it is applied. This certification shall be provided to the Fiscal Service prior to the effective date of the Agreement. The State shall recertify its clearance patterns at least every five years.
- 7.10 The State shall follow the procedures of 31 CFR 205 if it has actual or constructive knowledge, at any time, that a clearance pattern does not correspond to a program's clearance activity.

#### 8.0 INTEREST CALCULATION METHODOLOGY

- 8.1 General Terms
- 8.1.1 The State and the Secretary agree that no interest liabilities will be incurred for transfers of funds made in accordance with the procedures specified in section 6 of this Agreement where the following funding techniques are applied:

Actual and Adjusted Estimate
Actual at Fixed Intervals
Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment
Allocation of Payroll and Administrative Costs
Average Clearance
Payroll and Administrative - Fixed Frequency

8.1.2 The State shall maintain information on disbursements and receipts of funds to verify the implementation of any funding technique and document interest liabilities.

For each disbursement, the State shall be able to identify:

- (1) amount of the issuance
- (2) date of issuance
- (3) date Federal funds are received and credited to a State account
- (4) amount of Federal funds received
- (5) date funds were requested
- 8.2 Federal Interest Liabilities
- 8.2.1 A Federal interest liability shall accrue from the day the State pays out its own funds for program purposes to the day Federal funds are credited to a State account. With regard to funds transferred out of the Federal Highway Trust Fund, if a State does not bill at least weekly for current project costs, the Federal interest liability shall not accrue prior to the day the State submits a request for funds.

8.2.2 The State shall use the following method to calculate Federal interest liabilities:

#### Actual Activity:

For all transactions where the State pays out its own funds for program purposes prior to receiving Federal funds, the State shall track each payment from the date it is paid out of a State account to the date Federal funds are subsequently credited to a State account to cover that outlay. The Federal interest liability on each payment shall be based on the difference in whole days between the two events. With Federal-State matching programs, interest shall be calculated on the Federal percentage of the disbursement.

- 8.3 The Unemployment Trust Fund
- 8.3.1 The State shall use the following method to calculate State interest liabilities on funds withdrawn from the several accounts in the Unemployment Trust Fund:

Federal Funds Interest Neutral, State Funds not:

The State shall use the following methodology to calculate State interest liabilities on funds withdrawn from the State account in the UTF under the Unemployment Insurance program.

Based on statements provided by its financial institution (or other appropriate sources), the State shall determine the actual interest earnings and the related banking costs attributable to funds withdrawn from its account in the UTF. At the end of the State's fiscal year, the State shall calculate the percentage of its total unemployment compensation expenditures for (1) funds withdrawn from the State account in the UTF, or the State %, and (2) funds withdrawn from the Federal Employees Compensation Account (FECA) and the Extended Unemployment Compensation Account (EUCA) and any other accounts of Federal funds in the UTF, or the Federal %.

The actual interest earnings of the benefit payment account on the whole constitute the actual interest earnings attributable to funds withdrawn from the State account in the UTF, since the State shall apply an appropriate interest neutral funding technique, to funds withdrawn from the FECA and EUCA and any other benefit accounts of Federal funds in the UTF from which the State draws.

The State shall calculate the related banking costs attributable to funds withdrawn from the State account in the UTF by multiplying the State % by the amount of the related banking costs of the benefit payment account as a whole. The State's liability for interest on funds withdrawn from its account in the UTF shall consist of the actual interest earnings of the benefit payment account on the whole less the related banking costs attributed to such funds.

- 8.4 Refund Liabilities
- 8.4.1 The State shall be liable for interest on refunds from the date the refund is credited to a State account until the date the refund is debited from the State account for program purposes. The State shall apply a \$50,000 refund transaction threshold below which the State shall not incur or calculate interest liabilities on refunds. A transaction is defined as a single deposit.
- 8.4.2 For each refund, the State shall maintain information identifying:
- (1) date a refund is credited to a State account
- (2) date of the subsequent deposit of Federal funds against which the refund is offset
- (3) amount of the refund
- 8.4.3 The State shall use the following methodology to calculate interest liabilities on refunds:

#### Refunds Deposited to Interest Neutral Programs:

With programs to which applicable interest neutral funding techniques are applied, the State interest liability shall be based on the difference in whole days between the date the refund is deposited in a State account and the date the refund is offset against a subsequent deposit of Federal funds.

- 8.5 Exemptions
- 8.5.1 Where more than one State agency is a recipient of Federal funds under a program, a particular State agency's funding may be excluded from interest calculation procedures if the State agency receives an amount of funds less than 5

% of the State's threshold for major Federal assistance programs. Notwithstanding this potential exemption, however, in no case shall less than 90% of a program's total funding be subject to interest calculation procedures.

Proration of calculations: If less than total program funding is subject to interest calculation procedures, the resulting interest liability calculations shall be prorated to 100% of program funding.

8.6 State Interest Liabilities

8.6.1 The State shall be liable for interest on Federal funds from the date Federal funds are credited to a State account until the date those funds are paid out for program purposes.

8.6.2 The State shall use the following method to calculate State interest liabilities on Federal funds:

8.6.2.1 Measuring Time Funds Are Held

To determine the total time Federal funds are held, the State shall measure the time between the date Federal funds are received and credit to a State's account and the date those funds are debited from the State's account.

8.6.2.2 Source of Data

The time period from issuance of funds to the date funds are debited from the State's account shall be determined by the appropriate clearance pattern specified in Exhibit II.

8.6.2.3 Standards Applied

Census (Average Daily Balance):

The average daily cash balance of Federal funds in the program's account reflects the actual activity of each draw from the date of deposit to the date of issuance or clearance, whichever is pertinent.

8.6.2.4 Calculation Procedure

Average Daily Balance:

 $I = ADB \times R$ , where

I = State's total interest liability

ADB = Average Daily Balance of cash in a program's account, measured from deposit to clearance

R = Annualized rate equal to the average equivalent yields of 13-week Treasury bills auctioned during a State's fiscal year

#### 9.0 REVERSE FLOW PROGRAMS

The State is not required to cover any reverse flow programs under the terms of this Agreement because the State does not participate in the program.

#### 10.0 INTEREST CALCULATION COSTS

10.1 As set forth in 31 CFR 205.27, interest calculation costs are defined as those costs necessary for the actual calculation of interest, including the cost of developing and maintaining clearance patterns in support of the interest calculations. Interest calculation costs do not include expenses for normal disbursing services, such as processing of checks or maintaining records for accounting and reconciliation of cash balances, or expenses for upgrading or modernizing accounting systems. Interest calculation costs in excess of \$50,000 in any year are not eligible for reimbursement, unless the State provides justification with the annual report.

10.2 The State expects to incur the following types of interest calculation costs:

The state expects to incur the following types of interest calculation costs:

- (1) warrant clearance development
- (2) interest calculation, and
- (3) preparation of annual report
- 10.3 The State shall submit all claims for reimbursement of interest calculation costs with its Annual Report in accordance with 31 CFR 205.

#### 11.0 NON-COMPLIANCE

11.1 The provisions of 31 CFR Part 205.29 and 31 CFR Part 205.30 shall apply in cases of non-compliance with the terms of this Agreement.

#### 12.0 AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES

Desireé Honoré Thomas

Assistant Commissioner - Statewide Services (Designee for Commissioner of Administration)

Signature: Desire Honoré Thomas

\_\_\_\_\_Date Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Date Submitted 11/4/2022

Sandra R. Paylor Assistant Commissioner Revenue Collections Management Bureau of the Fiscal Service U.S. Department of the Treasury

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Signature:

\_Date Signed: 11/22/2022

# **Exhibit I - Funds Request and Receipt Times Schedule**

## State of Louisiana

| Federal Agency                    | Payment Type | Request Cut-Off Time | Receipt Window |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|----------------------|----------------|
| Agriculture-FNS                   | ACH          | 11:59 PM             | 1 day          |
| Agriculture-FNS                   | Fedwire      | 5:45 PM              | 0 day          |
| Agriculture-FS                    | ACH          | 3:00 PM              | 1 day          |
| Air National Guard                | ACH          | 12:00 PM             | 15 days        |
| Army National Guard               | ACH          | 12:00 PM             | 15 days        |
| Commerce-NOAA                     | ACH          | 2:00 PM              | 1 day          |
| Dept of Homeland Security (FEMA)  | Fedwire      | 2:00 PM              | 2 days         |
| Dept of Homeland Security (ODP)   | ACH          | 2:00 PM              | 2 days         |
| Dept of Homeland Security (ODP)   | Fedwire      | 2:00 PM              | 2 days         |
| EPA                               | ACH          | 2:00 PM              | 2 days         |
| EPA                               | Fedwire      | 2:00 PM              | 0 day          |
| Education                         | ACH          | 3:00 PM              | 1 day          |
| Education                         | Fedwire      | 2:00 PM              | 0 day          |
| Energy                            | ACH          | 4:00 PM              | 1 day          |
| Energy                            | Fedwire      | 3:00 PM              | 0 day          |
| HHS                               | ACH          | 5:00 PM              | 1 day          |
| HHS                               | Fedwire      | 3:00 PM              | 0 day          |
| HUD                               | ACH          | 5:30 PM              | 2 days         |
| HUD                               | Fedwire      | 3:00 PM              | 0 day          |
| Interior-FWS                      | ACH          | 11:59 PM             | 1 day          |
| Interior-FWS                      | Fedwire      | 5:45 PM              | 0 day          |
| Interior-OSM                      | ACH          | 3:00 PM              | 1 day          |
| Interior-OSM                      | Fedwire      | 1:00 PM              | 0 day          |
| Justice                           | ACH          | 11:00 PM             | 6 days         |
| Justice                           | Fedwire      | 2:00 PM              | 2 days         |
| Labor-Non-UTF                     | ACH          | 3:00 PM              | 1 day          |
| Labor-UTF                         | ACH          | 3:00 PM              | 1 day          |
| Labor-UTF                         | Fedwire      | 3:00 PM              | 0 day          |
| National Science Foundation (NSF) | ACH          | 8:00 PM              | 1 day          |
| National Science Foundation (NSF) | Fedwire      | 5:45 PM              | 0 day          |
| Social Security Administration    | ACH          | 11:59 PM             | 1 day          |
| Social Security Administration    | Fedwire      | 5:45 PM              | 0 day          |
| Transportation (FAA)              | ACH          | 2:00 PM              | 1 day          |
| Transportation (FHWA)             | ACH          | 12:00 PM             | 3 days         |
| Transportation (FHWA)             | Fedwire      | 12:00 PM             | 0 day          |
| Transportation (FTA)              | ACH          | 2:00 PM              | 1 day          |
| Veterans Administration           | ACH          | 12:00 PM             | 3 days         |

# Exhibit II - State of Louisiana LIST OF STATE CLEARANCE TIMES

### (Rounded Dollar-Weighted Average Day of Clearance)

# Clearance Times Where the Timing of A Draw Down Is Based on A Clearance Pattern

| CFDA   | Program Name   | Recipient  | %     | Component   | Technique   | Rounded<br>days |
|--------|--|--|-------|---|---|-----------------|
| 10.551 | Supplemental<br>Nutrition<br>Assistance<br>Program                                     | Department of<br>Children and<br>Family Services | 100.0 | Assistance Payments - EBT   | Actual Clearance,<br>ZBA - Same Day<br>Payment          | 0 Days          |
| 10.553 | School Breakfast<br>Program  | Department of Education                          | 100.0 | Payments to Parishes,<br>Universities, Public<br>Schools and Daycare<br>Providers | Average Clearance                                       | 0 Days          |
| 10.555 | National School<br>Lunch Program   | Department of Education                          | 100.0 | Payments to Parishes,<br>Universities, Public<br>Schools and Daycare<br>Providers | Average Clearance                                       | 0 Days          |
| 10.557 | Special<br>Supplemental<br>Nutrition Program<br>for Women,<br>Infants, and<br>Children | Louisiana<br>Department of<br>Health             | 22.31 | Administrative Costs  | Actual and Adjusted<br>Estimate                         | 0 Days          |
|        | Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children                | Louisiana<br>Department of<br>Health             | 57.12 | Vouchers and EBT  | Actual Clearance,<br>ZBA - Same Day<br>Payment          | 0 Days          |
|        | Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children                | Louisiana<br>Department of<br>Health             | 20.57 | Payroll   | Allocation of<br>Payroll and<br>Administrative<br>Costs | 0 Days          |
| 10.558 | Child and Adult<br>Care Food<br>Program  | Department of Education                          | 100.0 | Payments to Parishes,<br>Universities, Public<br>Schools and Daycare<br>Providers | Average Clearance                                       | 0 Days          |
| 10.561 | State Administrative Matching Grants for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program | Department of<br>Children and<br>Family Services | 100.0 | Payroll and<br>Administrative Costs   | Allocation of<br>Payroll and<br>Administrative<br>Costs | 0 Days          |
| 14.228 | Community Development Block Grants/State's Program                                     | Executive<br>Department                          | 85.0  | Disaster Recovery<br>Program Costs  | Actual Clearance,<br>ZBA - Same Day<br>Payment          | 0 Days          |

|             | Community Development Block Grants/State's Program                      | Executive<br>Department                            | 7.0   | CDBG Program<br>Costs                     | Actual Clearance,<br>ZBA - Same Day<br>Payment     | 0 Days |
|-------------|---|--|-------|---|--|--------|
|             | Community Development Block Grants/State's Program                      | Executive<br>Department                            | 7.0   | Disaster Recovery<br>Administrative Costs | Actual at Fixed<br>Intervals                       | 0 Days |
|             | Community Development Block Grants/State's Program                      | Executive<br>Department                            | 1.0   | CDBG<br>Administrative Costs              | Actual and Adjusted Estimate                       | 0 Days |
| 17.225<br>F | Unemployment Insurance Federal Benefit Account and Administrative Costs | Louisiana<br>Workforce<br>Commission               | 83.54 | Benefits Payments -<br>Federal            | Actual Clearance,<br>ZBA - Same Day<br>Payment     | 0 Days |
|             | Unemployment Insurance Federal Benefit Account and Administrative Costs | Louisiana<br>Workforce<br>Commission               | 15.06 | Benefits Payments -<br>State              | Actual Clearance,<br>ZBA - Same Day<br>Payment     | 0 Days |
|             | Unemployment Insurance Federal Benefit Account and Administrative Costs | Louisiana<br>Workforce<br>Commission               | 1.4   | Administrative Costs                      | Actual and Adjusted Estimate                       | 0 Days |
| 17.225<br>S | Unemployment<br>Insurance State<br>Benefit Account                      | Louisiana<br>Workforce<br>Commission               | 100.0 | Benefit Payments -<br>State               | Actual Clearance,<br>ZBA - Same Day<br>Payment     | 0 Days |
| 20.205      | Highway Planning and Construction                                       | Department of<br>Transportation<br>and Development | 79.07 | Capital Projects                          | Average Clearance                                  | 2 Days |
|             | Highway Planning and Construction                                       | Department of<br>Transportation<br>and Development | 8.4   | Payroll                                   | Actual Clearance,<br>ZBA - Same Day<br>Payment     | 0 Days |
|             | Highway Planning and Construction                                       | Department of<br>Transportation<br>and Development | 12.53 | Indirect Costs                            | Average Clearance                                  | 2 Days |
| 84.010      | Title I Grants to<br>Local Educational<br>Agencies                      | Department of Education                            | 99.27 | Program<br>Expenditures                   | Actual Clearance,<br>ZBA - Same Day<br>Payment     | 0 Days |
|             | Title I Grants to<br>Local Educational<br>Agencies                      | Department of<br>Education                         | 0.73  | Payroll & Administrative Costs            | Payroll and<br>Administrative -<br>Fixed Frequency | 0 Days |
| 84.027      | Special Education Grants to States                                      | Department of Education                            | 91.75 | Program<br>Expenditures                   | Actual Clearance,<br>ZBA - Same Day<br>Payment     | 0 Days |
|             | Special Education Grants to States                                      | Department of Education                            | 8.25  | Payroll & Administrative Costs            | Payroll and<br>Administrative -<br>Fixed Frequency | 0 Days |
| 93.558      | Temporary<br>Assistance for<br>Needy Families                           | Department of<br>Children and<br>Family Services   | 8.59  | Assistance Payments - EBT                 | Actual Clearance,<br>ZBA - Same Day<br>Payment     | 0 Days |

|        | Temporary<br>Assistance for<br>Needy Families                                       | Department of<br>Children and<br>Family Services                              | 0.07  | Assistance Payments<br>- EFT Findwork                                     | Actual Clearance,<br>ZBA - Same Day<br>Payment     | 0 Days |
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|        | Temporary<br>Assistance for<br>Needy Families                                       | Department of<br>Children and<br>Family Services                              | 48.72 | TANF Contract<br>Payments   | Actual at Fixed<br>Intervals                       | 0 Days |
|        | Temporary<br>Assistance for<br>Needy Families                                       | Department of<br>Children and<br>Family Services                              | 42.62 | Payroll & Administrative Costs  | Actual at Fixed<br>Intervals                       | 0 Days |
| 93.575 | Child Care and<br>Development<br>Block Grant  | Department of<br>Education  | 83.77 | Program<br>Expenditures   | Actual Clearance,<br>ZBA - Same Day<br>Payment     | 0 Days |
|        | Child Care and<br>Development<br>Block Grant  | Department of Education   | 16.23 | Payroll & Administrative Costs  | Payroll and<br>Administrative -<br>Fixed Frequency | 0 Days |
| 93.767 | Children's Health<br>Insurance<br>Program   | Louisiana<br>Department of<br>Health  | 2.49  | Payroll   | Actual Clearance,<br>ZBA - Same Day<br>Payment     | 0 Days |
|        | Children's Health<br>Insurance<br>Program   | Louisiana<br>Department of<br>Health  | 95.41 | Children's Insurance<br>Benefits - EFT                                    | Actual Clearance,<br>ZBA - Same Day<br>Payment     | 0 Days |
|        | Children's Health<br>Insurance<br>Program   | Louisiana<br>Department of<br>Health  | 2.1   | Medicaid<br>Administrative Cost<br>Grant                                  | Actual and Adjusted Estimate                       | 0 Days |
| 93.778 | Medical<br>Assistance<br>Program  | Louisiana<br>Department of<br>Health  | 0.02  | Electronic Health<br>Records - EHR  | Actual Clearance,<br>ZBA - Same Day<br>Payment     | 0 Days |
|        | Medical<br>Assistance<br>Program  | Louisiana<br>Department of<br>Health  | 87.45 | Medicaid Benefits -<br>EFT  | Actual Clearance,<br>ZBA - Same Day<br>Payment     | 0 Days |
|        | Medical<br>Assistance<br>Program  | Louisiana<br>Department of<br>Health  | 7.07  | Medicaid Benefits<br>and Disproportionate<br>Share Pool Payments<br>- EFT | Actual Clearance,<br>ZBA - Same Day<br>Payment     | 0 Days |
|        | Medical<br>Assistance<br>Program  | Louisiana<br>Department of<br>Health  | 3.09  | Medicare Buy-In<br>Premiums   | Actual Clearance,<br>ZBA - Same Day<br>Payment     | 0 Days |
|        | Medical<br>Assistance<br>Program  | Louisiana<br>Department of<br>Health  | 1.29  | Payroll   | Actual Clearance,<br>ZBA - Same Day<br>Payment     | 0 Days |
|        | Medical<br>Assistance<br>Program  | Louisiana<br>Department of<br>Health  | 1.08  | Medicaid<br>Administrative Cost<br>Grant                                  | Actual and Adjusted Estimate                       | 0 Days |
| 97.036 | Disaster Grants -<br>Public Assistance<br>(Presidentially<br>Declared<br>Disasters) | Governor's Office<br>of Homeland<br>Security and<br>Emergency<br>Preparedness | 0.0   | State Subrecipient -<br>EFT   | Actual Clearance,<br>ZBA - Same Day<br>Payment     | 0 Days |
|        | Disaster Grants -<br>Public Assistance<br>(Presidentially<br>Declared<br>Disasters) | Governor's Office<br>of Homeland<br>Security and<br>Emergency<br>Preparedness | 28.84 | Payroll and<br>Administrative Costs                                       | Actual at Fixed<br>Intervals                       | 0 Days |
|        | Disaster Grants -<br>Public Assistance<br>(Presidentially<br>Declared<br>Disasters) | Governor's Office<br>of Homeland<br>Security and<br>Emergency<br>Preparedness | 71.16 | Applicant Payments  | Average Clearance                                  | 1 Day  |

| 97.039 | Hazard Mitigation<br>Grant | Governor's Office<br>of Homeland<br>Security and<br>Emergency<br>Preparedness | 12.69 | Payroll and<br>Administrative Costs | Actual at Fixed<br>Intervals | 0 Days |
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|        | Hazard Mitigation<br>Grant | Governor's Office<br>of Homeland<br>Security and<br>Emergency<br>Preparedness | 87.31 | Applicant Payments                  | Average Clearance            | 1 Day  |

#### Certification

I hereby certify that an authorized State official has certified at least every five years that the "Rounded Days of Clearance" listed in Exhibit 2 of this Treasury-State Agreement:

- 1. Have been prepared in accordance with the standards provided in 31 CFR 205.20;
- 2. Accurately represent the flow of Federal funds under the Federal assistance programs to which they apply;
- 3. Reflect seasonal or other periodic variations in the clearance activities; and,
- 4. Are auditable.

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