

the Federal Emergency Management Agency under Executive Order 12148, I hereby appoint Marianne C. Jackson of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this declared disaster.

I do hereby determine the following areas of the State of New Jersey to have been affected adversely by this declared major disaster:

Atlantic County for Individual Assistance and Public Assistance.

All counties within the State of New Jersey are eligible to apply for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 83.516, Disaster Assistance)

James L. Witt,

Director.

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FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

[FEMA-1173-DR]

South Dakota; Amendment to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of a major disaster for the State of South Dakota, (FEMA-1173-DR), dated April 7, 1997, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 20, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Madge Dale, Response and Recovery Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3260.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated October 20, 1997 the President amended the cost sharing arrangements concerning Federal funds provided under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 51521 *et seq.*), in a letter to James L. Witt, Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, as follows:

I have determined that the damage in certain areas of the State of South Dakota, resulting from severe flooding, severe winter storms, heavy spring rain, rapid snowmelt,

high winds, and ice jams beginning on February 3, 1997, and continuing through May 24, 1997, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant special cost sharing arrangements concerning Federal funds provided under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act ("the Stafford Act").

Therefore, I amend my previous declaration to authorize Federal funds for Public Assistance, Categories C through G, at 90 percent of total eligible costs, except for direct Federal assistance costs and debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B) under the Public Assistance program which were previously authorized at 100 percent Federal funding.

This adjustment to State and local cost sharing applies only to Public Assistance costs (Categories C through G) eligible for such adjustment under the law. The law specifically prohibits a similar adjustment for funds provided to the State for the Individual and Family Grant program and Hazard Mitigation Assistance. These funds will continue to be reimbursed at 75 percent of total eligible costs.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 83.516, Disaster Assistance)

Lacy E. Suiter,

Executive Associate Director, Response and Recovery Directorate.

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GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE

Termination of the Prospective Payment Assessment Commission and the Physician Payment Review Commission.

AGENCY: General Accounting Office.

ACTION: Notice of termination of Commissions.

SUMMARY: The Balanced Budget Act of 1997 requires the Comptroller General, after the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission has been established, to provide for the termination of the Prospective Payment Assessment Commission and the Physician Payment Review Commission. This notice announces the termination of the two commissions.

DATES: Termination of Commissions effective November 1, 1997.

ADDRESSES: The General Accounting Office is at 441 G St. NW., Washington, DC, 20548. The Office of the Chairman of the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission is at 2120 L St. NW., Washington, DC, 20037-1527.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: General Accounting Office: Walter S. Ochinko, 202-512-7157. Medicare Payment Advisory Commission: Lauren LeRoy, 202-653-7220.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 1805 of the Social Security Act, as added by section 4022 of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 (Pub. L. 105-33, 111 Stat. 251, 350), requires the Comptroller General, in consultation with the Prospective Payment Assessment Commission (PPRC) and the Physician Payment Review Commission (ProPAC), to provide for their termination as quickly as possible after a majority of members of the new Medicare Payment Advisory Commission (MedPAC) are appointed. All of the members of MedPAC were appointed effective October 1, 1997. As determined in consultation with them, both PPRC and ProPAC will terminate as of November 1, 1997. MedPAC will then assume outstanding obligations of PPRC and ProPAC.

James F. Hinchman,

Acting Comptroller General of the United States.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information collection Activity; Comment Request

Proposed Projects

Title: Emergency TANF Data Report.

OMB No.: 0970-0164.

Description: This information is being collected to meet the statutory requirements of section 411 of the Social Security Act and section 116 of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996. It consists of desegregated demographic and program information that will be used to determine participation rates and other statutorily required indicators for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program.

Respondents: State, Local or Tribal Govt.