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MEMORANDUM FOR: Regional Administrators
Regions I - X
Recovery Division Directors
Director, Office of Federal Coordinating Officer Operations
Federal Coordinating Officers
Joint Field Offices

FROM: Deborah Ingram *Deborah Ingram*
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SUBJECT: Adjustment of the Public Assistance Program's
Maximum Amount for Small Project Grants

Attached for your information and dissemination, is a copy of the Federal Register Notice announcing the annual Consumer Price Index (CPI) adjustment of the maximum amount of Small Project Grants under the Public Assistance program. Effective October 1, 2013, the maximum amount for Small Project Grants is \$68,500. This change reflects an increase of 1.5 percent.

Section 422 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. § 5189, prescribes that the maximum grant amount will be adjusted annually to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers published by the Department of Labor.

The change applies to all disasters declared on or after October 1, 2013. Please ensure that all members of your staff are aware of this change and its applicability.

Attachment

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Notice of Adjustment of Disaster Grant Amounts

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: FEMA gives notice of an increase of the maximum amount for Small Project Grants made to State, Tribal, and local governments and private nonprofit facilities for disasters declared on or after October 1, 2013.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2013, and applies to major disasters declared on or after October 1, 2013.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William Roche, Recovery Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3834.

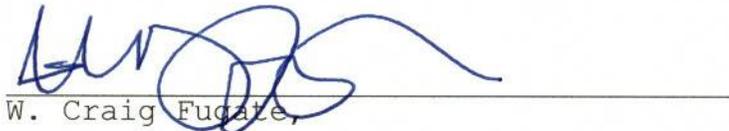
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (the Stafford Act), 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207, prescribes that FEMA must annually adjust the maximum grant amount made under section 422, Simplified Procedures, relating to the Public Assistance program, to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers published by the Department of Labor.

FEMA gives notice of an increase to \$68,500 in the maximum amount of any Small Project Grant made to State, Tribal, and local governments or to the owner or operator of an eligible private nonprofit facility under section 422 of

the Stafford Act for all disasters declared on or after October 1, 2013.

FEMA bases the adjustment on an increase in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers of 1.5 percent for the 12-month period ended in August 2013. The Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor released the information on September 17, 2013.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 97.036, Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters).



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W. Craig Fugate,

Administrator,

Federal Emergency Management Agency.