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The Honorable Gretchen Whitmer Governor of Michigan George W. Romney Building 111 South Capitol Avenue Lansing, Michigan 48909

Dear Governor Whitmer:

This is in response to your August 27, 2021, request to add the Public Assistance program to FEMA-4607-DR, which was declared on July 15, 2021. You specifically requested Public Assistance for the counties of Ionia, Washtenaw, and Wayne.

During the period of August 2-25, 2021, joint federal, state, and local Preliminary Damage Assessments were conducted in the areas requested by the state to determine the damage to the infrastructure. Based on our review of all of the information available, it has been determined that the damage to the infrastructure from this event was not of such severity and magnitude as to warrant the implementation of the Public Assistance program under major disaster declaration FEMA-4607-DR. Therefore, I must inform you that your request for Public Assistance is denied.

This denial may be appealed within 30 days after the date of this letter. The appeal, along with additional information justifying the appeal, should be submitted to me through Moises Dugan, Acting Regional Administrator, FEMA Region V, located at 536 South Clark Street, Floor 6, Chicago, IL, 60605.

Sincerely,

David Bibo

Associate Administrator (Acting) Office of Response and Recovery