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MEMORANDUM

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TO: Summer Food Service Program Sponsors

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SUBJECT: **Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) Reimbursement Rates for 2008**

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) has published adjustments to the reimbursement rates for meals served in the Summer Food Service Program for Children. These adjustments for 2008 are based on the 4.1 percent increase in the food away from home series of the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the period January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008.

As you may know, the Fiscal Year 2008 Omnibus Appropriations Act, which was signed into law December 26, 2007, extends the cost accounting procedures commonly known as the "Simplified" Summer Food Service Program to all States. Beginning January 1, 2008 all SFSP sponsors will receive the maximum "meals times rates" operating and administrative reimbursements without regard to their actual costs. Although the 2008 SFSP reimbursement rates notice is published without combining the operational and administrative rates, SFSP reimbursements are now based on the number of reimbursable meals served multiplied by the combined rate for that meal.

For purposes of comparison, the following table summarizes the 2007 and the 2008 SFSP meal reimbursement rates.

2007 and 2008 SFSP Meal Reimbursement Rates				
	2007 Operating All States	2008 Operating All States	2008 Rates Administrative Rural/Self-Prep	2008 Rates Administrative Vended
Breakfast	\$1.51	\$1.57	\$.1575	\$.1225
Lunch/Supper	\$2.64	\$2.75	\$.2875	\$.2375
Snack/supplement	\$0.61	\$0.64	\$.0775	\$.0625

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