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Subject: RE: WTC Job Creation & Retention Grant Program Extension

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HUD is formally acknowledging the Empire State Development Corporation's (ESD) Non-Substantial – Action Plan Amendment to the Job Creation and Retention Grant Program (JCRP) submitted on August 5, 2013. This amendment extends the deadline by which companies may request JCRP funding from December 31, 2013 to December 31, 2015. This amendment is non-substantial as it does not create a new program and does not change any beneficiaries. Consequently, ESD is permitted to make this deadline change.

As stated earlier, while ESD can extend the JCRP deadline in this instance, it is important to note cost reasonableness and the fact that ESD's grant is nearly twelve years old.