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Ms. Anne Idsal
Deputy Land Commissioner
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Dear Ms. Idsal:

On November 21, 2016, the Department published a *Federal Register* Notice (81 FR 83254) (the Notice) allocating \$500 million of Community Development Block Grant disaster recovery (CDGB-DR) funds to the States of Texas, Louisiana, and West Virginia pursuant to the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2017. The Notice identified each of the Presidentially-declared disasters for which each State could expend the allocated CDBG-DR funds, pursuant to the declaration number assigned to the disaster by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

With regard to the qualified disasters listed for the State of Texas, the Notice inadvertently assigned FEMA disaster declaration 4272 to the State of Louisiana rather than to the State of Texas. A forthcoming *Federal Register* Notice will clarify that the State of Texas, and not the State of Louisiana, may expend CDBG-DR funds for the disaster designated by FEMA disaster declaration 4272. Accordingly, the State of Texas should anticipate that will be authorized to expend the subject CDBG-DR allocation for the two disasters published in the Notice for the State of Texas FEMA disaster declarations 4269 and 4266, as well as FEMA disaster declaration 4272.

Thank you for your notification of this error. Your office will be notified when the updated Notice has been published.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stanley Gimont".

Stanley Gimont (Acting)
Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Grant Programs