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To: County Business Administrators

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From: Rose Tricario, Director

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Date: May 20, 2011

Subject: State Subsidy for Public School Lunch Programs

Based on numbers of meals claimed and projections to the end of the current state fiscal year, the Division of Food & Nutrition will provide an increase in the state portion of the reimbursement funds for May and June 2011. Therefore, <u>for the months of May and June 2011 only</u>, Local Education Agencies will receive a half cent per meal increase in their state subsidy, for each category of meals served. The state portion of the total reimbursement rates for May and June will be as follows:

Paid 4.5 cents Reduced Price 5.5 cents Free 5.5 cents

Please note, however, that it is imperative that all reimbursement claims for May and June are submitted and certified by no later than July 15, 2011 in order to receive this increased funding.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Bob Gibson at 609-984-1439.