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Patricia McManaman
Director
Hawaii Department of Human Services
1390 Miller St., Room 209
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Ms. McManaman:

The Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) acknowledges your electronic submission via the RSA management information system (MIS) of the fiscal year (FY) 2012 State Plan for the Title I Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Services Program and Supplement for the Title VI-B Supported Employment (SE) Services Program in the form of a preprint of affirmative assurances and required attachments on behalf of the Hawaii Vocational Rehabilitation and Services for the Blind Division (VRSBD) in compliance with Sections 101(a) and 625 of the *Rehabilitation Act of 1973*, as amended (the act). In addition, RSA acknowledges receipt of the assurance, submitted on May 12, 2011, to complete the activities necessary to fulfill the assurance under which the FY 2011 State Plan was approved.

The State Plan, in the form of a preprint of affirmative assurances and any required attachments, and the assurance of compliance were reviewed to ensure conformity with statutory provisions of the act, implementing regulations and the administrative requirements of RSA. RSA approves the VRSBD State Plan for the VR and SE programs based on the submitted preprint of affirmative assurances, required attachments and the assurance to complete the activities necessary to fulfill the assurance under which the FY 2011 State Plan was approved and submitted in conjunction with the FY 2012 State Plan.

In accordance with this approval of the State Plan and accompanying assurance, RSA is making available to Hawaii its FY 2012 Title I, Part B, and Title VI, Part B, grant awards. Please be advised that RSA will closely monitor VRSBD's activities in support of the assurance it has made.

The approved FY 2012 VRSBD State Plan will be published by RSA and available to the general public on RSA's MIS by Monday, October 3, 2011. Individuals who wish to read the State Plan at that time may visit http://rsamis.ed.gov/view_info.cfm, select the appropriate state, search for "VR State Plan" and select "View the VR State Plan."

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If you have any questions about this letter, please contact your state liaison, Tonya Stellar, at (202) 245-6638 or tonya.stellar@ed.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "for Edward Rutledge". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Lynnae M. Ruttledge
Commissioner

cc: Joe Cordova
Tonya Stellar