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December 12, 2024

Bob Larkin Fayette County Emergency Management 115 Cisco Road Lexington, KY 40504

Subject: Award Communication – Emergency Management Performance Grant

Dear Director Larkin:

The Kentucky Division of Emergency Management (KYEM) would like to inform you that funding under the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2024 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) program will be awarded soon. This being said, we want to communicate with our counties, the plan for the FFY 2024 award. This grant is part of KYEM's collective commitment to ensure Kentucky communities are prepared, resilient, and capable of responding to and recovering from emergencies.

This year, the EMPG allocation experienced a nationwide congressional reduction in funding, affecting all recipients across the country. Both KYEM and its county subrecipients, have faced an equal proportionate decrease in funding. We appreciate your understanding and patience as we adjust to the new award levels while striving to maintain the integrity of Kentucky's emergency management capabilities.

The 2024 Emergency Management Assistance (EMA 24) awarded to Fayette County will be \$82,449.95, which represents the allocation available after the national funding reduction and KYEM's distribution of funds equitably across all eligible subrecipients. The EMA 24 formula contains a \$10,000 baseline plus an allocation based on each county's percentage of the state population.

We recognize that adjusting to a reduced award may present challenges, but KYEM remains committed to providing support and resources to help your agency meet critical operational needs. KYEM is available to assist with technical guidance, grant management, and program requirements to ensure that our shared objectives are met despite the funding decrease.

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This is not your award letter. In the coming weeks you will receive another email with your award letter and a contract for you to have signed.

Thank you for your continued dedication and partnership in safeguarding Kentucky's communities. Together, we will continue to enhance Kentucky's preparedness and resilience.

Sincerely,

Eric Gibson, Director

Division of Kentucky Emergency Management