

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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Ms. Lauren Christopher
Division of Energy Assistance, Office of Community Services
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Administration for Children and Families
330 C Street, SW, 5th Floor
Washington, DC 20201

Dear Ms. Christopher:

The Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) coordinated with the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe to re-determine the LIHEAP Tribal allotment. The last determination was signed in 2012 and established a Tribal allocation of .08%.

On September 27-29, 2018, DHCD received from the Wampanoag Tribe a certification of Tribal eligible households, U.S. Census data, and information regarding the current needs and caseload demographics of the Wampanoag Tribe. In consideration of this information, DHCD supports raising the Tribal allocation from .08% to .15% for FY2019. This would increase the Wampanoag Tribal LIHEAP allotment. This increase will remain in effect until further notice.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact our Community Services Manager, Edward Kiely, at 617-573-1406.

Janelle Chan Undersecretary

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Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe

cc: Edward Kiely, Community Services Manager, DCS/DHCD

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