**APPENDIX D1**

**EMAIL NOTIFICATION TO REGIONAL OFFICES**

XX/XX/2014

To: [ALL FNS REGIONAL DIRECTORS]

Cc: [CHILD NUTRITION DIRECTORS from ALL STATES]

Subject: SN-OPS Year 3 Study for SY 2013-2014

Good afternoon!

FNS has contracted with 2M Research Services and its research partner Mathematica Policy Research, to conduct the Special Nutrition Program Operations Study (SN-OPS) Year 3 for SY 2013-2014. The SN-OPS is being conducted to understand and address the current policy issues related to Special Nutrition Program operations.

Cooperation at all levels (Regional Office, State, and SFA) will be essential for completeness of data collection. Representatives from 2M Research Services will be contacting all State Child Nutrition Directors and selected SFAs to participate in this year’s study.

Please notify your States about the study and encourage their assistance with any study requests from 2M Research Services.

Thank you in advance for your assistance.

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