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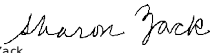

**Appendix AN. IRB approval letter**

**Date:** December 17, 2015

**To:** Tracy Vericker, Project Director

**From:**

Sharon Zack, IRB Administrator, Westat IRB

  
Sharon Zack  
2015-12-17 06:30 PM  
I have reviewed and approve this document. 

**Subject: Exemption of FINI PROJECT SUPPORT, Project 6352  
FWA 00005551**

As Administrator of the Westat Institutional Review Board (IRB), I reviewed the materials submitted for the following: **FINI PROJECT SUPPORT, Project 6352**. The Westat IRB reviews all studies involving research on human subjects. This study is sponsored by the USDA.

Westat will conduct an evaluation of the Food Insecurity Nutrition Incentive Grants program.

Per [45 CFR 46.101(b5)] and a letter received (on December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015) from Eric Sean Williams, Project Officer, Office of Policy Support, FINI; this research involves a program evaluation and therefore is exempt from IRB review.

The Project Director is required to notify the Board only if there are changes to the protocol or procedures regarding this project. In addition, notify the IRB Office as soon as possible if there are any injuries to the subjects or problems with the study that relate to human subjects.

cc: Institutional Review Board  
Alicia Sutherland