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The Honorable Bob Riley
Governor of Alabama
State Capitol
Montgomery, Alabama 36130

Dear Governor Riley:

This is in response to your May 27, 2009, letter appealing the denial of Individual Assistance under FEMA-1836-DR, declared on May 8, 2009. Your appeal specifically requested that Individual Assistance be made available for Dekalb, Jackson, and Marshall Counties.

After a thorough review and careful consideration of the information included in your appeal, as well as the information gathered during the joint Federal, State, and local Individual Assistance Preliminary Damage Assessments conducted in the three requested counties, we reaffirm our original finding that the private sector impact in the above mentioned counties was not of the severity and magnitude to warrant implementation of the Individual Assistance program. Therefore, your appeal for Individual Assistance under FEMA-1836-DR is denied.

I regret that we could not reach a favorable conclusion.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James A. Walke".

James A. Walke
Acting Assistant Administrator
Disaster Assistance Directorate