



FEMA

February 1, 2016

The Honorable Grace Meng
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Meng:

Thank you for your January 7, 2016 letter. Secretary Johnson asked that I respond on his behalf.

The issue of allowable costs for feminine hygiene products was brought before the Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) National Board at its meeting on January 8, 2016. The Board voted to include feminine hygiene products as eligible items. Currently, the National Board is developing language for inclusion into its EFSP Responsibilities and Requirements Manual, which is anticipated to be disseminated by April 2016, to local boards in support of the Fiscal Year 2015 grant.

Thank you again for your interest in this important issue. Should you wish to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "W. Craig Fugate".

W. Craig Fugate
Administrator