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Division: Temporary Assistance

TO: Local District Commissioners

SUBJECT: FS Error Rate/Sanction for FFY '94

ATTACHMENTS: FS Quality Control Data Analysis Report 10/1/93 through
9/30/94 - Not available on-line.

This memorandum transmits the twelve month report of statewide FS/QC reviews for FFY '94. The report contains both NYC and Upstate case detail. The statewide FS payment error rate has decreased from 10.01% for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 1993 (10/92 to 9/93) to 9.91% for FFY 1994 (10/93 to 9/94). The NYC error rate rose slightly from 10.06% to 10.14% and Upstate's fell from 9.92% to 9.47%. Based on current data we believe NYS' regressed error rate will be less than 9% and will likely be below the National Average which means that NYS will not be subject to QC based sanctions.

Earned Income, Household Composition and Shelter Allowance errors account for 57% of the Statewide error rate. The majority of Earned Income errors were the result of client failure to report a change in income or employment status. Household Composition errors resulted from the agency using an incorrect number of household members in the budget calculations. Agency error was also the cause for the majority of the Shelter errors in that an incorrect shelter expense amount was used in determining benefits.

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