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Date: October 3, 1997

Division: Temporary Assistance

TO: Local District Commissioners

SUBJECT: HEAP 1997-98 Public Hearings on Proposed 1997-98 State Plan

ATTACHMENTS: Attachment A - Notice of Public Hearings - available on-line
Attachment B - Registration Form - available on-line

The New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance will be conducting two public hearings on the proposed New York State Plan for the 1997-98 Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP).

The hearings will be held on the dates and locations listed below:

New York City - Thursday, October 23, 1997 from 10:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M., 6th Floor Conference Room, 80 Maiden Lane.

Albany - Tuesday, October 21, 1997 from 10:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M., 40 North Pearl Street, 7th Floor Conference Room.

If you or a member of your staff are interested in testifying, please refer to the enclosed notice and registration form for details.

Written comments are also encouraged. Three copies of your written comments should be sent to:

Steve Ptak
New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance
40 North Pearl Street - 7A
Albany, New York 12243

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Written comments must be submitted by October 31, 1997.

If you have any questions about the hearings please call Charles Giambalvo at (518) 486-6362.

Patricia A. Stevens
Deputy Commissioner
Division of Temporary Assistance

NEW YORK OFFICE OF TEMPORARY AND DISABILITY ASSISTANCE
PUBLIC NOTICE
1997-98 HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
PROPOSED STATE PLAN

In accordance with the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, the State of New York is making available for public review and comment the proposed 1997-98 New York State Plan for the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP).

REVIEWING OR OBTAINING THE PROPOSED STATE PLAN: The 1997-98 proposed State Plan will be available for inspection at local department of social services' offices. Copies of the proposed State Plan may be requested by calling, toll-free, 1 (800) 342-3009, extension 3-0332 or by writing to the Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance, 40 North Pearl Street, 7A, Albany, New York 12243 ATTENTION: Charles Giambalvo.

PUBLIC HEARING: Public hearings will be conducted at the following locations:

- o New York City, Thursday, October 23, 1997 from 10:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M., 6th Floor, Conference Room, 80 Maiden Lane, New York, New York 10038.
- o Albany, Tuesday, October 21, 1997, from 10:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M., 40 N. Pearl Street, 7th Floor conference room, Albany, N.Y. 12243.

Individuals/organizations wishing to present their views at these hearings should register by calling 1 (800) 342-3009, extension 3-0332. Persons who have pre-registered will be called upon to speak first. Others will be called in the order in which they register.

Testimony is limited to five (5) minutes. Speakers must submit three (3) written copies of their statements.

There will be no photocopying facilities available at this hearing.

WRITTEN COMMENTS:

Written comments on the proposed plan will be accepted no later than October 31, 1997. Comments should be addressed to:

Steve Ptak
New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance
Division of Temporary Assistance, Region I
40 North Pearl Street - 7A
Albany, New York 12243

Written comments received by the Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance will be available for public inspection.

NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF TEMPORARY AND DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

PUBLIC HEARING
TO
PROVIDE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON
NEW YORK STATE'S
PROPOSED 1997-98 HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (HEAP) STATE PLAN

New York City, Thursday, October 23, 1997 from 10:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. in the 6th Floor Conference Room, 80 Maiden Lane, New York, New York 10038.

Albany, Tuesday, October 21, 1997 from 10:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. in the 7th Floor Conference Room, 40 N. Pearl St., Albany, New York 12243.

Persons wishing to present their views at any of these hearings are requested to complete this reply form as soon as possible and mail to:

Mr. Steve Ptak
New York State Office of
Temporary and Disability Assistance
Region I
40 North Pearl Street
7th Floor, Section A
Albany, New York 12243

Telephone: 1-800-342-3009
Extension 3-0332

To assure your pre-registration, please respond three days prior to the scheduled hearing date, or call the above number if you have any questions.

I plan to attend the public hearing in (please check):

_____ New York City (October 23, 1997)

_____ Albany (October 21, 1997)

I plan to make a public statement at the hearing. I will limit my statement to a maximum of five minutes and I will provide three copies of my prepared statement.

STATEMENTS SHOULD BE LIMITED TO COMMENTS ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE NEW YORK STATE PLAN FOR THE 1997-98 HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (HEAP) ONLY.

NOTE: There will not be any photocopying facilities available at the hearing.

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TELEPHONE _____
TITLE _____
AFFILIATION _____
ADDRESS _____