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MEMORANDUM

TO: Whom it may concern
FROM: Edward D. Manuel, Chairman 
DATE: May 12, 2017
RE: Replacement Issuance of Benefits-Food Destroyed by Misfortune

This memorandum is intended to provide documentation and support for individuals that may qualify for assistance under the Arizona Department of Economic Security (DES) policy *FAA1.J Redemption Procedures: 02 Replacement Issuance of Benefits- Food Destroyed by Misfortune* or related assistance.

On Monday, May 8, 2017 at approximately 9:12 P.M., the Tohono O'odham Nation's Utility Authority ("TOUA") experienced a catastrophic equipment failure that resulted in an electrical power outage which affected the main reservation of the Nation. Nine contiguous districts of the Nation were impacted. All residences and businesses within that area were without power until TOUA restored power on Wednesday, May 10, 2017 at approximately 7:11 P.M.

The Nation recognizes that this event caused a substantial hardship for the people who live and work in the affected area, particularly for those households that may have limited resources and who rely on assistance programs.