



**Ned Lamont**  
GOVERNOR  
STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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Lauren Christopher, Director  
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
Administration for Children and Families  
Office of Community Services  
Division of Energy Assistance  
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330 C Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20201

Dear Ms. Christopher:

As Chief Executive Officer of the State of Connecticut, please accept this letter as a formal delegation of authority. Specifically, I have delegated the authority to sign the assurances for and administer the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) to the Commissioner of the State of Connecticut, Department of Social Services, Deidre Gifford, MD, MPH or her designee, Deputy Commissioner Kathleen M. Brennan.

Should you have any questions, please contact Commissioner Gifford at (860) 424-5053.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ned Lamont".

Ned Lamont  
Governor

cc: Melissa McCaw, Secretary, OPM  
Deidre S. Gifford, MD, MPH, Commissioner  
Kathleen M. Brennan, Deputy Commissioner  
Sharon Condel, Director, DSS  
Carlene Taylor, Program Administration Manager, DSS