DECLARED SEPTEMBER 13, 2005

SUMMARY

In the event of an **emergency** declaration, the following information applies:

STATE: California

NUMBER: FEMA-3248-EM

INCIDENT: Hurricane Katrina Evacuation

INCIDENT PERIOD: August 29, 2005, and continuing

DATE REQUESTED BY GOVERNOR: September 6, 2005

FEDERAL COORDINATING OFFICER: Karen E. Armes

DESIGNATIONS AND TYPES OF ASSISTANCE:

Specifically, FEMA is authorized to provide Public Assistance Category B (emergency protective measures), including direct Federal assistance, at 100 percent Federal funding.

This assistance is for all 58 counties in the State of California.

Note: This is an emergency declaration.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 13, 2005

The Honorable R. David Paulison
Acting Under Secretary
Emergency Preparedness and Response
Washington, D.C. 20472

Dear Mr. Paulison:

I have determined that the emergency conditions in the State of California, resulting from the influx of evacuees from states impacted by Hurricane Katrina beginning on August 29, 2005, and continuing, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant an emergency declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 5121-5206 (the Stafford Act). Therefore, I declare that such an emergency exists in the State of California.

You are authorized to provide appropriate assistance for required emergency measures, authorized under Title V of the Stafford Act to save lives and protect public health and safety, or to lessen or avert the threat of a catastrophe in the designated areas. Specifically, you are authorized to provide emergency protective measures (Category B), including direct Federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program, at 100 percent Federal funding. This assistance excludes regular time costs for subgrantees' regular employees. In addition, you are authorized to provide such other forms of assistance under Title V of the Stafford Act as you may deem appropriate.

In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes such amounts as you find necessary for Federal emergency assistance and administrative expenses.

Further, you are authorized to make changes to this declaration to the extent allowable under the Stafford Act.

Sincerely,

George W. Bush

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 13, 2005

The Honorable Arnold Schwarzenegger
Governor of California
State Capitol
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Governor Schwarzenegger:

I have declared an emergency under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 5121-5206 (Stafford Act), for the State of California, due to the emergency conditions resulting from the influx of evacuees from areas struck by Hurricane Katrina beginning on August 29, 2005, and continuing. I have authorized Federal relief and recovery assistance in the affected area.

The Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), intends to coordinate all emergency relief efforts that have the purpose of alleviating the hardship and suffering caused by the emergency on the local population, and to provide appropriate assistance for required emergency measures, authorized under Title V of the Stafford Act to save lives and protect public health and safety, or to lessen or avert the threat of a catastrophe in the designated areas. Specifically, FEMA is authorized to provide emergency protective measures (Category B), including direct Federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program, at 100 percent Federal funding.

FEMA will coordinate Federal assistance efforts and designate specific areas eligible for such assistance. The Federal Coordinating Officer will be Ms. Karen E. Armes of FEMA. She will consult with you and assist in the execution of the FEMA-State Agreement for emergency assistance governing the expenditure of Federal funds.

Sincerely,

George W. Bush