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The Honorable Betty Boyd, Chair,
Senate Health & Human Services Committee
The Honorable Ken Summers, Chair,
House Health & Environment Committee
Colorado State Capitol
Denver, CO 80203

The Honorable Mary Hodge
Chair, Joint Budget Committee
200 East 14th Avenue, 3rd Floor
Denver, CO 80203

Dear Senator Boyd, Representative Summers and Senator Hodge:

In 2008, the Colorado General Assembly passed Senate Bill 08-177, which created the Colorado Works Program Maintenance Fund administered by the Colorado Department of Human Services (CDHS). The fund is intended for emergency or otherwise unforeseen purposes that may be necessary for efficient and effective implementation of the program. Section 26-2-721.3 (2) C.R.S. requires CDHS to annually report to the Joint Budget Committee and to the Health and Human Services Committees of both the Senate and House on the use of the appropriated funds in the preceding fiscal year. This letter constitutes the report for SFY 2010.

Of the \$3,000,000 SFY 2010 appropriation, the Department has spent \$2,043,709. Roll-forward approval remains for an additional \$183,400, the balance of the auditing contract listed below, for total spending of \$2,227,109. Per statute, unspent appropriated funds were remitted to the Long-term Works Reserve.

Expenditure Purpose

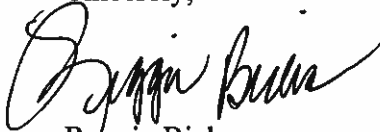
\$1,569,804	to provide additional financial resources to counties for Colorado Works implementation
\$157,305	to enable new and returning Summer Feeding Program sites to operate in summer 2010

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\$500,000 audit of SFY09-10 county TANF expenditures (includes \$183,400 that is encumbered and expected to be paid by 6/30/11)

For SFY 2011, the Long Bill (HB 10-1376) appropriation for the Program Maintenance Fund was reduced to \$100,000. In September 2010 the Department allocated \$50,000 to support Boulder's response to the natural disaster. The remaining \$50,000 is available for unanticipated emergency or otherwise unforeseen purposes in this fiscal year.

Sincerely,



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cc: Members of the Joint Budget Committee
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