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Brenda Kupchick, First Selectwoman
Town of Fairfield, CT
725 Old Post Road
Fairfield, CT 06824

Dear Ms. Kupchick:

In response to the correspondence you sent to our office on February 3, 2023, requesting clarification on mediation in response to public assistance funding and the minimum requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program, please be advised that mediation is not an option for DR-4087, as the second appeal rendered the final agency decision concerning public assistance grant funding for Penfield Pavilion. Furthermore, mediation is not identified as an option in the regulation for meeting the minimum requirements of 44 CFR § 60.3 Floodplain Management Criteria for Flood Prone Areas.

Sincerely,

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