



U.S. SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON, DC 20416

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The Honorable Joe Courtney
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Courtney:

Administrator Contreras-Sweet has asked me to respond to your recent letter regarding the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) working together to continue the use of Federal resources to aid small businesses in Connecticut.

On August 31, 2015, OMB approved SBA's waiver request to extend the use of funds received under the Disaster Relief Appropriation Act (Public Law 113-2): Superstorm Sandy Funding. This 12-month extension will allow grantees to provide necessary assistance to small businesses and expanded partnerships to identify and build community and business resiliency. All grantees have been notified that the grant is extended through August 31, 2016, including the Connecticut Small Business Development Center.

We appreciate your support of SBA and the Connecticut small business community. If you or your staff has additional questions, please contact the SBA Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs at (202) 205-6700. A similar response is being sent to Senator Blumenthal and Murphy and Representatives DeLauro, Esty, Himes, and Larson.

Sincerely,

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