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TO: State Directors, Rural Development

ATTN: Community Programs Managers

FROM: Russell T. Davis (Signed by James C. Alsop) for

Administrator

Housing and Community Facilities Programs

SUBJECT: Evidence of Significant Community Support for Essential Community

Facilities Projects

PURPOSE/INTENDED OUTCOME:

This Administrative Notice (AN) continues the requirement to obtain certificates of community support as stated in section 381I, of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (CONACT), (7 U.S.C. 2009h).

COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS AN:

This AN replaces AN 4242 (1942-A), dated February 16, 2007, which expired February 29, 2008.

IMPLEMENTATION RESPONSIBILITIES:

As part of the application process, section 381I of the CONACT requires evidence of significant community support in the form of a certification of support for each project or facility from any affected local government body. The certificate is required for all Community Facilities guaranteed loans, direct loans, and grants.

There is no requirement for financial support. The certificate of support should include sufficient information to determine that a community facility will provide needed services to the community and will have no adverse impact on other community facilities providing similar services. The organization is required to provide sufficient information to affected local governments as may be needed to obtain the certificate of support. For questions concerning this AN, please contact Derek L. Jones, Loan Specialist, Direct Loans and Grants, 720-1504.

EXPIRATION DATE:

April 30, 2009

FILING INSTRUCTIONS: Preceding RD Instructions 1942-A, 3570-B, and 3575-A