

BOBBY JINDAL
Governor



State of Louisiana
Office of the Governor

March 13, 2009

The Honorable Barack Obama
President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

On behalf of the people of Louisiana and as required by Section 1607 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, please allow this letter to certify that we will accept funds provided by the Act and use them to promote economic growth and create jobs in a fiscally responsible manner that is in the best interest of the citizens of Louisiana.

This certification constitutes our general certification as required by the Act; however, we will continue to examine fund-specific requirements to ensure that we are not growing government in an unsustainable way. Toward that end, I request that the Administration provide clear guidance on timelines, notice requirements, guidelines for eligibility, or any other information related to the Act. We will use those provisions that help our people and our businesses in their time of need, in a way that does not add an undue burden to the current financial situation in our state.

We stand ready to work with your Administration on providing all information required.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "BJ", written over a white background.

Bobby Jindal
Governor

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cc: Peter Orzag, Director
U.S. Office of Management and Budget