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GOVERNOR

March 23, 2009

Secretary Tom Pelham  
Department of Community Affairs  
2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2100

Dear Secretary Pelham:

As you know, the U.S. Department of Energy has established a March 23, 2009 deadline for submission of the Application for Federal Assistance (SF424) for the Weatherization Assistance Program. Submission of the application could result in \$176 million available to Florida from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 in order for an estimated 18,500 dwellings to be weatherized during the three year period application for these funds.

Please ensure that appropriate action is taken to ensure these critically needed funds will be available as soon as the Legislature provides the appropriate authorization.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Charlie Crist".

Charlie Crist