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Mr. Wheeler,

On behalf of Clay County Emergency Management, we would like to personally thank you for assigning Mr. Rick Kammer as our State Public Assistance Officer in the aftermath of Tropical Storm Debby (FEMA-4068-DR).

Due to unforeseen circumstances, our agency had a total of three FEMA Public Assistance Officers for this event. Two of which, for various reasons, were demobilized. Through each of these federal staff changes, Rick was our one constant during this process. Thanks to him, our information was not lost between the transitions and each new FEMA staffer was adequately briefed on the current situation of projects. Mr. Kammer deserves high praise for ensuring that our Public Assistance process continued despite constant FEMA staff changes. He also deserves praise helping to finish all of our agency's Project Worksheets in an impressively efficient and effective manner.

During close collaboration, my staff and I witnessed firsthand, the dedication Mr. Kammer put in to site visits, data gathering and ultimately, the writing of our Public Assistance Worksheets. Our agency and its partners were pleased with the resulting Project Worksheets and the valuable insights and assistance he provided during their preparation.

Through this entire process, Rick proved to be knowledgeable about FEMA policy and worked hard to ensure that our county was being fairly represented during its interpretation.

We'd like to congratulate Mr. Kammer for a job well done and thank you for sending him to us. It was because of him that we were able to overcome the obstacles we experienced in the beginning of this process and move forward to the near completion of the submission of all Project Worksheets associated with Tropical Storm Debby.

Because of his hard work and professionalism we wanted to formally recognize Mr. Kammer for his efforts and as such are sending you this letter directly, in your role as Recovery Division Manager

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Lorin L. Mock in blue ink.

Lorin L. Mock,
Clay County Emergency Management Director

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