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\*1 Mr. James W. Murray  
Regional Commissioner  
Social Security Administration  
Room 246  
50 Seventh Street, I.B.  
Atlanta, Georgia 30323

Dear Sir:

The South Carolina Department of Social Services is the single state agency vested with the authority to administer Titles I, X and XIV of the Social Security Act and said Department is authorized by Section 71-12, Code of Laws of South Carolina (1962), to secure benefits available under the Social Security Act and any amendments thereof and any other Federal legislation having for its purpose the improvement or extension of social and welfare assistance or services to the people of the United States. Section 57, Part I, of Act No. 1555 of the 1972 Acts [General Appropriations Act] provides in part that: 'Each department, institution or agency of the State is authorized to accept and receive such Federal aid or grants as are or may be made available by the Federal Government for use in carrying out the purposes and functions of the department, institution or agency. . . .

The Department of Social Services is duly authorized and empowered to enter into a contractual agreement with the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Social Security, Administration, to secure federal funding to assist in the transition of the adult category programs from State to Federal administration as is provided for in the Social Security Amendments of 1972, Public Law 92-603: 86 Stat. 1329, approved October 30, 1972.

Very truly yours,

Raymond G. Halford  
Assistant Attorney General

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