## Congress of the United States House of Representatives

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The Honorable W. Craig Fugate Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency U.S. Department of Homeland Security 500 C Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20472

Dear Administrator Fugate:

I write in strong support of Governor Bobby Jindal's request for Individual Assistance (IA) and Public Assistance (PA), Categories C-G, for the Parishes of Plaquemines, Jefferson, Saint Bernard, and Saint John the Baptist. As the Representative for all or parts of these parishes, I can attest that they and the residents therein, greatly need this aid.

Hurricane Isaac inundated the coast of Louisiana and many of my constituents remain displaced. High water is covering whole communities in some cases and it is unclear when the water will recede. While I am sure the resilient people of South Louisiana will rebuild—just as they did after surviving Katrina, Rita, Gustav, Ike, the *Deepwater Horizon* oil spill, and historic flooding in 2010—they are in need of federal assistance. As such, it is our duty as government officials to ensure that responsible levels of assistance are provided.

Thank you for your willingness to work with me and our state and local officials. As you know, it is imperative that our interagency cooperation is continued at a high level going forward. We must work together to ensure a full recovery is realized in Louisiana. I am committed to the residents of South Louisiana who will need our help in the days, weeks, and months ahead. Thank you for your attention to this important request.

Respectfully,

Member of Congress