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Re: [REDACTED]

ID: [REDACTED]

Date: January 31, 2016

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[REDACTED]
Dear [REDACTED]:

The State's electronic benefit transfer (EBT) card is now a photo card. Our records indicate that you do not have an EBT photo card.

Clients have said that it would be easier for DHHS to use the photos that are on their driver's license. In partnership with the Department of the Secretary of State, Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV), DHHS can use the photo that is already on file with BMV.

Please sign below and return this document to DHHS in the provided envelope. You can keep using the card that you have now until you get the new photo card. You can keep the same Personal Identification Number (PIN) for your new photo card.

The photo card helps to prevent theft and the selling or trafficking of cards. There is real evidence of an EBT trafficking problem here in Maine. Often, law enforcement finds several EBT cards as part of drug busts. These are cards that do not belong to the individuals that have them in their possession. The new photo card is part of DHHS's efforts to improve the integrity of these programs.

Thank you,

Bethany Hamm, Director
Office for Family Independence

By signing below, I give DHHS, Office for Family Independence, permission to use my driver's license or state identification photo that is on file with the Bureau of Motor Vehicles for my EBT card.

Recipient's Legal Name: _____

Recipient's Date of Birth: _____

Recipient's Social Security Number: _____

Recipient's Driver's License or State Identification Number: _____

Recipient's Signature: _____

Today's Date: _____