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SUBJECT: Implementation of House Bill 101 Update

Implementation plans for HB101 are in process. (Reference June 20, 2008, memorandum "Implementation Approach for House Bill 101").

MMRS is completing final testing of the new public access MERLIN queries and the web-based application for agency entry of contracts. You will receive additional notification upon completion of both the MERLIN queries and the application database, along with the specific usage instructions, no later than July 15, 2008.

The following components will be deployed not later than July 15, 2008:

- SAAS Payment Document changes (fully implemented as of July 1, 2008)
- MERLIN Public Access Query of payments to vendors
- MERLIN Public Access Query for payments to contract workers
- Web interface for loading, changing, and viewing contracts issued on or after July 1, 2008

MERLIN enhancements to include reporting from the grant and sub-grant ledgers will be included in an additional features update on or before October 31, 2008. A web interface for loading, changing, and viewing grant/sub-grant agreements issued on or after July 1, 2008, will also be made available at that time.

Should you have questions regarding this memorandum, please contact the MMRS Call Center at 601-359-1343 or mash@dfa.state.ms.us.