



Ms. Jodie Harris
Director
Community Development Financial Institutions Fund
U.S. Department of Treasury
1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20220

September 19, 2022

RE: Extension request for submission of Equitable Recovery Program applications

Dear Director Harris:

As you've heard, President Biden, at the request of governor Pierluisi declared Federal Emergency for Puerto Rico. Hurricane Fiona has caused devastation of a magnitude similar and in some places, bigger than Maria's.

We have been reaching out to our members in the region and many report "catastrophic flooding", particularly in the Southwest where hurricane Fiona made landfall and received more than 30 inches of rain.

Governor Pierluisi declared a temporary shutdown of nonemergency services and the resumption of operations by banks and financial cooperatives will depend on how quickly, power, communications and other essential services are restored.

As a result, and on behalf of our 90 members in Puerto Rico, 79 of which are CDFI certified and many are in the process of applying for ERP, we ask you to consider a two-week extension to submit their ERP applications and a month extension for those with ACR and grant reporting deadlines of September 30.

We thank you in advance for your consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please contact me at pablo@inclusiv.org or Chriselle Martinez (cmartinez@inclusiv.org).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pablo I. DeFilippi". The signature is stylized with a large initial "P" and a series of vertical lines.

Pablo I. DeFilippi,
EVP Inclusiv Network