Cash Management Improvement Act Agreement between The State of Arkansas and The Secretary of the Treasury, United States Department of the Treasury

The Secretary of the Treasury, United States Department of the Treasury (hereafter 'Secretary'), and State of Arkansas (hereafter 'State'), in order to implement Section 5 of the Cash Management Improvement Act of 1990, as amended (hereafter 'Act'), agree as follows:

1.0 AGENTS OF THE AGREEMENT

1.1 The Authorized Official(s) for the State of Arkansas shall be the Deputy Director and Controller, Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration in all matters concerning this Agreement.

1.2 The Assistant Commissioner, Revenue Collections Management, Bureau of the Fiscal Service (Fiscal Service), U.S. Department of the Treasury, shall act as the Secretary's representative in all matters concerning this Agreement.

2.0 AUTHORITY

2.1 The authority for this Agreement is the Cash Management Improvement Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-453), as amended by the Cash Management Improvement Act of 1992 (Public Law 102-589), codified at 31 U.S.C. 6501 and 31 U.S.C. 6503.

2.2 The regulations codified at 31 CFR Part 205 shall apply to all matters pertaining to this Agreement, and are incorporated herein by reference. In the event of any inconsistency between this Agreement and 31 CFR Part 205, the regulations shall govern.

3.0 DURATION, AMENDING, TERMINATING, AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

3.1 This Agreement shall take effect on 07/01/2024 and shall remain in effect until 06/30/2025.

3.2 This Agreement may be amended at any time by written, mutual consent of the State and the Fiscal Service. This Agreement shall be amended annually to incorporate new programs that qualify as major Federal assistance programs and remove programs that no longer qualify as major Federal assistance programs. A State must notify the Fiscal Service in writing within 30 days of the time the State becomes aware of a change that involves additions or deletions of programs subject to Subpart A, changes in funding techniques, and/or changes in clearance patterns. The notification must include a proposed amendment for review by the Fiscal Service.

3.3 Notwithstanding section 3.2, in the event of Federal or State non-compliance with Subpart B of 31 CFR, Part 205, the Fiscal Service may amend this Agreement at any time to incorporate additional programs and the entities that administer those programs.

3.4 This Agreement may be terminated by either party with 30 days written notice. If this Agreement is terminated, the Fiscal Service will prescribe the funding techniques, clearance patterns, and methods for calculating interest liabilities to be used by the State.

4.0 PROGRAMS COVERED

4.1 The State's threshold and its major Federal assistance programs shall be determined based on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards in the Statewide Single Audit Report for fiscal year ending 06/30/2023.

All major Federal assistance programs shall be covered by this Agreement, unless otherwise specified in section 4.4 of this Agreement.

4.2 The State's threshold for major Federal assistance programs is \$60,000,000.

The following programs meet or exceed the threshold and are not excluded in Section 4.4:

CFDA	Program Name	
10.542	Pandemic EBT Food Benefits	
10.551	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	
10.555	National School Lunch Program	
10.557	Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and	
	Children	
17.225F	Unemployment Insurance Federal Benefit Account and	
	Administrative Costs	
17.2258	Unemployment Insurance State Benefit Account	
20.205	Highway Planning and Construction	
84.010	Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	
84.027	Special Education Grants to States	
84.425	Education Stabilization Fund	
93.558	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	
93.575	Child Care and Development Block Grant	
93.596	Child Care Mandatory and Matching Funds of the Child Care and	
	Development Fund	
93.767	Children's Health Insurance Program	
93.778	Medical Assistance Program	

4.3 The following programs fall below the State's threshold but have been required to be covered by Fiscal Service in accordance with the non-compliance provisions of Subpart B of 31 CFR Part 205:

There are currently no programs listed for Section 4.3.

4.4 The following programs exceed the State's threshold but have been excluded from coverage for the reason indicated:

CFDA	Program Name	Exclusion Reason	
21.027	Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal	Federal Statute - Full Exemption	
	Recovery Funds		
84.032	Federal Family Education Loans	Non-State	
84.063	Federal Pell Grant Program	Non-State	
84.268	Federal Direct Student Loan	Non-State	
93.268	Immunization Cooperative Agreements	Non-Cash	

5.0 ENTITIES COVERED

5.1 State agencies and instrumentalities that meet the definition of a State per 31 CFR Part 205, shall be subject to the terms of this Agreement. The following is a list of such entities that administer funds under the programs listed in Section4.0 of this Agreement:

Department of Education Department of Health Department of Human Services Department of Transportation Department of Workforce Services 5.2 Entities that meet the definition of a Fiscal Agent per 31 CFR Part 205 shall be subject to the terms of this Agreement. The following is a list of Fiscal Agents that administer funds under the programs listed in the Section 4.0 of this Agreement:

Fiscal Agent	CFDA	Program Name		
Conduent	10.551	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance		
		Program		
US Bank	17.225F	Unemployment Insurance Federal		
		Benefit Account and Administrative Costs		
US Bank	17.2258	Unemployment Insurance State Benefit		
		Account		
Gainwell Technologies	93.778	Medical Assistance Program		

6.0 FUNDING TECHNIQUES

6.1 General Terms

6.1.1 The State shall request Federal funds in accordance with the appropriate cut-off times shown in Exhibit I to ensure funds will be received and credited to a State account by the times specified in the funding techniques. Exhibit I is incorporated by reference herein.

6.1.2 The State shall schedule the receipt of Federal funds such that the funds are received and credited to a State account in accordance with the clearance patterns specified in Exhibit II - List of State Clearance Patterns. Exhibit II is incorporated by reference herein.

6.1.3 In instances where the receipt of funds is scheduled for a Saturday, the State shall request funds for deposit on Friday. In instances where the receipt of funds is scheduled for a Sunday, the State shall request funds for deposit on Monday. In instances where the receipt of Federal funds is scheduled for deposit on a day when the State is not open for business, the State shall request funds for deposit the day following the scheduled day; in instances where the receipt of Federal funds is scheduled for business, the State shall request funds for deposit the day prior to the scheduled day.

6.1.4 Estimates and Reconciliation of Estimates:

Where estimated expenditures are used to determine the amount of the drawdown, the State will indicate in the terms of the State unique funding technique how the estimated amount is determined and when and how the State will reconcile the difference between the estimate and the State's actual expenditures.

6.1.5 Supplemental Funding:

Unless otherwise defined by program rules, Supplemental Funding is the award of additional funds to provide for an increase in costs due to unforeseen circumstances.

The State will comply with all Federal program agency policies and procedures for requesting supplemental grant funding.

The State will comply with the following guidelines when requesting supplemental funding for the Medical Assistance Program and associated administrative payments (CFDA 93.778):

The State must submit a revised Medicaid Program Budget Report (CMS-37) to request supplemental funding. The CMS guidelines and instructions for completing the CMS-37 are provided in Section 2600F of the State Medicaid Manual (SMM). The CMS/CO must receive the revised Form CMS-37 through the Medicaid Budget Expenditure System/Children's Budget Expenditure System (MBES/CBES) no later than 10 calendar days before the end of the quarter for which the supplemental grant award is being requested.

Additional guidance on this policy is available from the respective CMS Regional Office, U.S. Department of Health & Human Services.

The State will comply with the following guidelines when requesting supplemental funding for TANF (CFDA 93.558), CCDF (CFDA 93.575), CSE (93.563), and the FC/AA (CFDA 93.658 and CFDA 93.659) programs administered by the U.S. Department of Human Services, Administration for Children and Families (HHS/ACF):

a. Timing of the Request

A State should initiate its request for supplemental funding during a quarter as soon as it becomes aware of the fact that a shortfall does/will exist. For the TANF and CCDF grants, supplemental funding requests (estimates) may be submitted by a State, for consideration by ACF, up through and including the 15th day of the third month of the first, second or third quarter of any fiscal year. Since TANF and CCDF are block grant programs, all unawarded portions of the annual allotment will automatically be issued at the beginning of the fourth quarter. Therefore, supplemental funding requests will not be available during the fourth quarter for these programs. For the CSE and FC/AA programs, supplemental funding requests may be submitted by a state, for consideration by ACF, up through and including the 15th day of the third month of any quarter of a fiscal year.

b. Justification for the Request

The request for a supplemental funding for any of the above-mentioned programs should contain a justification clearly documenting the need for the additional funding authority during the current quarter. This documentation should be in the form of State accounting records or similar documents that will show the actual expenditures through the most recent month for which such data are available, as well as the State's most accurate projection of its anticipated expenditures during the remaining month(s) of the quarter. For either the TANF or the CCDF program, the State's justification should also include an explanation of the activities requiring the obligation and/or expenditure of amounts that exceed the normal quarterly grant award restrictions and why these activities could not have been delayed until the next quarter.

c. Form Submittal

Supplemental funding requests should be made by completing the appropriate ACF quarterly report of expenditures and estimates applicable to the particular program for which the grant award request is being made.

d. Approval Process

Upon receipt of the state's request for additional funding authority for a quarter, the ACF Regional Office will promptly review the supporting documentation. If the request is properly justified, so long as ACF has adequate funding availability, the State's request will be expedited and supplemental funding will be issued within 5 days of ACF receiving the request. The State will be notified by the Regional Office when the supplemental award has been transmitted to the Payment Management System (PMS) and when it may initiate drawdowns against the supplemental funding.

Additional guidance on this policy is provided in the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, letter (May 19, 2004) to State Administrators from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Administration.

6.2 Description of Funding Techniques

6.2.1 The following are terms under which standard funding techniques shall be implemented for all transfers of funds to which the funding technique is applied in section 6.3.2 of this Agreement.

Funding Technique Name	Description			
Actual Clearance, ZBA - ACH	The State shall request funds such that they are deposited by ACH in a State account			
	on the settlement date of payments issued by the State. The request shall be made in			
	accordance with the appropriate Federal agency cut-off time specified in Exhibit I.			
	The amount of the request shall be for the amount of funds that clear the State's			
	account on the settlement date. This funding technique is interest neutral.			

Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment	The State shall request funds the same day it pays out funds, in accordance with the appropriate Federal agency cut-off time specified in Exhibit I. A Federal agency will deposit funds in a State account the same day as requested. The amount of the request shall be for the amount of funds that clear the State's account that day. This funding technique is interest neutral.
Estimated Clearance	The State shall request funds such that they are deposited in a State account in accordance with the clearance pattern specified in Exhibit II - EC (Estimated Clearance). The request shall be made in accordance with the appropriate Federal agency cut-off time specified in Exhibit I. The amount of each request will be a percentage of the disbursement, according to the State's clearance pattern specified in Exhibit II - EC. This funding technique is interest neutral.

6.2.2 The following are terms under which funding techniques for administrative costs shall be implemented for all transfers of funds to which the funding technique is applied in section 6.3.2 of this Agreement.

There are currently no funding techniques listed in Section 6.2.2.

6.2.3 The following are terms under which miscellaneous funding techniques shall be implemented for all transfers of funds to which the funding technique is applied in section 6.3.2 of this Agreement.

There are currently no funding techniques listed in Section 6.2.3.

6.2.4 The following are terms under which State unique funding techniques shall be implemented for all transfers of funds to which the funding technique is applied in section 6.3.2 of this Agreement.

Funding Technique Name	Description
Actual Costs - Department of Human Services	The State shall request funds for all Direct and Indirect payments on a daily basis. The amount of the request shall be based on the amount of liabilities recorded since the last request for funds. The amount of Indirect Costs to be requested per program shall be determined based on prior quarter cost allocation percentages by fund. The request for funds shall be made in accordance with the appropriate Federal agency cut-off time
Actual Costs - Direct Administrative	 specified in Exhibit I. This funding technique is interest neutral. The State shall request funds for all Direct Administrative costs on a daily basis. The amount of the request shall be based on the amount of liabilities recorded for direct administrative costs since the last request for funds. The request for funds shall be made in accordance with the appropriate Federal agency cut-off time specified in Exhibit I. This funding technique is interest neutral.
Actual Costs - EFT - Department of Human Services (CFDA 93.778)	The State shall request funds for all Medicaid Direct paid via EFT once per week. The request for funds shall be made in accordance with the appropriate Federal agency cut- off time specified in Exhibit I. The amount of the request shall be based on the amount of liabilities recorded since the last request for funds. This funding technique is interest neutral.
Average Clearance - Highway (CFDA 20.205)	The Arkansas Department of Transportation has a Direct Deposit system for payment of Construction Contractor payments. This system is available to contractors on a voluntary basis (approximately 90% are currently utilizing the system). Clearance patterns will be revised as needed when the Direct Deposit of contractor payments affect the average clearance. Request of Federal funds by electronic wire transfer are made weekly, based on weekly expenditures, and correspond with the established clearance patterns. The request for funds shall be made in accordance with the appropriate Federal agency cut-off time specified in Exhibit 1. This funding technique is interest neutral.
EBT Debit Cards (CFDA 93.558)	The monthly recurring payments for the TANF program are authorized on the 1st of each month. Draw requests will be made such that Federal reimbursements are received by the State based on the daily and monthly reports produced by the Arkansas Client Eligibility System (ACES). The request for funds shall be made in accordance with the appropriate Federal agency cut-off time specified in Exhibit I. Weekly draw requests will be submitted to fund benefits for new clients based on the

	daily reports out of the Electronic Payment Processing and Information Control System (EPPIC). This funding technique is interest neutral.
Monthly Billing - Highway (CFDA 20.205)	The State will request funds from the U.S. Department of Transportation for monthly payroll and administrative costs on the second billing subsequent to the close of the month in which State issued payment. The billing will be submitted on the normal weekly billing with the Vendor/Contractor costs. The request for funds shall be made in accordance with the appropriate Federal agency cut-off time specified in Exhibit I. This funding technique is interest neutral.

6.3 Application of Funding Techniques to Programs

6.3.1 The State shall apply the following funding techniques when requesting Federal funds for the component cash flows of the programs listed in sections 4.2 and 4.3 of this Agreement.

6.3.2 Programs

Below are programs listed in Section 4.2 and Section 4.3.

10.542 Pandemic EBT Food Benefits
Recipient: Department of Human Services
% of Funds Agency Receives: 100
Component: Direct Program Expenditures
Technique: Actual Costs - Department of Human Services
Average Day of Clearance: N/A

10.551 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
Recipient: Department of Human Services
% of Funds Agency Receives: 100
Component: Direct Program Expenditures
Technique: Actual Costs - Department of Human Services
Average Day of Clearance: N/A

10.555 National School Lunch Program
Recipient: Department of Education
% of Funds Agency Receives: 100
Component: Direct Program Expenditures
Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - ACH
Average Day of Clearance: N/A

10.557 Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children
Recipient: Department of Health
% of Funds Agency Receives: 100
Component: Direct Program Expenditures
Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - ACH
Average Day of Clearance: N/A

17.225F Unemployment Insurance -- Federal Benefit Account and Administrative Costs
Recipient: Department of Workforce Services
% of Funds Agency Receives: 7
Component: Payroll
Technique: Estimated Clearance
Average Day of Clearance: N/A

17.225F Unemployment Insurance -- Federal Benefit Account and Administrative Costs
Recipient: Department of Workforce Services
% of Funds Agency Receives: 90
Component: Direct Program Expenditures Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment Average Day of Clearance: N/A

17.225F Unemployment Insurance -- Federal Benefit Account and Administrative Costs
Recipient: Department of Workforce Services
% of Funds Agency Receives: 3
Component: Administration Costs
Technique: Estimated Clearance
Average Day of Clearance: N/A

17.225S Unemployment Insurance -- State Benefit Account Recipient: Department of Workforce Services
% of Funds Agency Receives: 100
Component: Direct Program Expenditures
Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment Average Day of Clearance: N/A

20.205 Highway Planning and Construction
Recipient: Department of Transportation
% of Funds Agency Receives: 15
Component: Administrative Costs
Technique: Monthly Billing - Highway (CFDA 20.205)
Average Day of Clearance: N/A

20.205 Highway Planning and Construction
Recipient: Department of Transportation
% of Funds Agency Receives: 65
Component: Vendor/Control Payments
Technique: Average Clearance - Highway (CFDA 20.205)
Average Day of Clearance: N/A

20.205 Highway Planning and Construction
Recipient: Department of Transportation
% of Funds Agency Receives: 20
Component: Payroll
Technique: Monthly Billing - Highway (CFDA 20.205)
Average Day of Clearance: N/A

84.010 Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies Recipient: Department of Education
% of Funds Agency Receives: 91
Component: Direct Program Expenditures
Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - ACH
Average Day of Clearance: N/A

84.010 Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies Recipient: Department of Education
% of Funds Agency Receives: 1
Component: Administrative Costs
Technique: Actual Costs - Direct Administrative
Average Day of Clearance: N/A

84.010 Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies Recipient: Department of Education
% of Funds Agency Receives: 8
Component: Payroll
Technique: Estimated Clearance
Average Day of Clearance: N/A 84.027 Special Education -- Grants to States Recipient: Department of Education
% of Funds Agency Receives: 98
Component: Direct Program Expenditures Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - ACH Average Day of Clearance: N/A

84.027 Special Education -- Grants to States
Recipient: Department of Education
% of Funds Agency Receives: 1
Component: Administrative Costs
Technique: Actual Costs - Direct Administrative
Average Day of Clearance: N/A

84.027 Special Education -- Grants to States Recipient: Department of Education
% of Funds Agency Receives: 1
Component: Payroll
Technique: Estimated Clearance
Average Day of Clearance: N/A

84.425 Education Stabilization Fund
Recipient: Department of Education
% of Funds Agency Receives: 99
Component: Direct Program Expenditures
Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - ACH
Average Day of Clearance: N/A

84.425 Education Stabilization Fund
Recipient: Department of Education
% of Funds Agency Receives: 1
Component: Administrative Costs
Technique: Actual Costs - Direct Administrative
Average Day of Clearance: N/A

93.558 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Recipient: Department of Human Services
% of Funds Agency Receives: 4
Component: Direct Program Expenditures
Technique: EBT Debit Cards (CFDA 93.558)
Average Day of Clearance: N/A

93.558 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
Recipient: Department of Human Services
% of Funds Agency Receives: 96
Component: Administrative Costs and Direct Program Expenditures
Technique: Actual Costs - Department of Human Services
Average Day of Clearance: N/A

93.575 Child Care and Development Block Grant Recipient: Department of Education
% of Funds Agency Receives: 100
Component: Direct Program Expenditures
Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - ACH
Average Day of Clearance: N/A

93.596 Child Care Mandatory and Matching Funds of the Child Care and Development Fund
Recipient: Department of Education
% of Funds Agency Receives: 100
Component: Direct Program Expenditures

Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - ACH Average Day of Clearance: N/A

93.767 Children's Health Insurance Program
Recipient: Department of Human Services
% of Funds Agency Receives: 10
Component: Administrative Costs
Technique: Actual Costs - Department of Human Services
Average Day of Clearance: N/A

93.767 Children's Health Insurance Program
Recipient: Department of Human Services
% of Funds Agency Receives: 90
Component: Direct Program Expenditures
Technique: Actual Costs - Department of Human Services
Average Day of Clearance: N/A

93.778 Medical Assistance Program
Recipient: Department of Human Services
% of Funds Agency Receives: 93
Component: EFT Direct Program Expenditures (Gainwell Technologies Provider Payments)
Technique: Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment Average Day of Clearance: N/A

93.778 Medical Assistance Program
Recipient: Department of Human Services
% of Funds Agency Receives: 3
Component: Payroll
Technique: Actual Costs - Department of Human Services
Average Day of Clearance: N/A

93.778 Medical Assistance Program
Recipient: Department of Human Services
% of Funds Agency Receives: 3
Component: Administrative Costs
Technique: Actual Costs - Department of Human Services
Average Day of Clearance: N/A

93.778 Medical Assistance Program
Recipient: Department of Human Services
% of Funds Agency Receives: 1
Component: Non-EFT Direct Program Expenditures (Gainwell Technologies Provider Payments)
Technique: Estimated Clearance
Average Day of Clearance: N/A

6.3.3 Materiality Exemptions

Agencies exempt from coverage on the basis of materiality:

No exempt agencies.

7.0 CLEARANCE PATTERNS

7.1 The State shall develop separate clearance patterns for each of the following:

all programs listed in Sections 4.2, 4.3 and 4.4 (except any interest exempted program) of this Agreement.

7.2 The following shall develop the State's clearance patterns:

Department of Transportation Department of Education Department of Human Services Department of Workforce Services Department of Health

7.3 The sources of data the State shall use when developing its clearance patterns are as follows:

the Treasurer of the State of Arkansas' Treasury Management System.

7.4 The State shall use the following methodology when developing its clearance patterns:

When developing each clearance pattern, the State shall track at least 99% of the funds disbursed, from issuance to clearance, for a period of at least three months.

7.5 The State shall identify for each check or warrant (hereafter, check) in the population: (1) the date the check was released for payment; (2) the date the check was debited from the State's account, and, (3) the amount of the check.

7.6 The State shall use the following method to calculate the dollar-weighted average day of clearance:

To determine the number of days each check was outstanding (clearance time), the issue date shall be subtracted from the date the check cleared the State's account.

To determine the percentage of the disbursement paid out each day following issuance, the amount of the checks that clear the State's account each day shall be summed and then divided by the amount of the total disbursement.

For each day following issuance, the clearance time of the checks paid out that day shall be multiplied by the percentage of the total disbursement those checks represent. This product is the clearance factor.

The dollar-weighted average day of clearance for the disbursement shall be determined by summing the clearance factor of each day following the disbursement.

7.7 The State shall adjust each clearance pattern to reflect the dollar-weighted proportion of funds paid out by EFT/Direct payroll, with the following exceptions:

N.A.

The State shall also adjust each clearance pattern to reflect:

N.A.

7.8 Each of the State's clearance patterns is calculated in Calendar days.

7.9 An authorized State official shall certify that each clearance pattern developed by the State accurately corresponds to the clearance activity of the programs to which it is applied. This certification shall be provided to the Fiscal Service prior to the effective date of the Agreement. The State shall recertify its clearance patterns at least every five years.

7.10 The State shall follow the procedures of 31 CFR 205 if it has actual or constructive knowledge, at any time, that a clearance pattern does not correspond to a program's clearance activity.

8.0 INTEREST CALCULATION METHODOLOGY

8.1 General Terms

8.1.1 The State and the Secretary agree that no interest liabilities will be incurred for transfers of funds made in accordance with the procedures specified in section 6 of this Agreement where the following funding techniques are applied:

Actual Clearance, ZBA - ACH Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment Actual Costs - Department of Human Services Actual Costs - Direct Administrative Actual Costs - EFT - Department of Human Services (CFDA 93.778) Average Clearance - Highway (CFDA 20.205) EBT Debit Cards (CFDA 93.558) Estimated Clearance Monthly Billing - Highway (CFDA 20.205)

8.1.2 The State shall maintain information on disbursements and receipts of funds to verify the implementation of any funding technique and document interest liabilities.

For each disbursement, the State shall be able to identify:

- (1) amount of the issuance
- (2) date of issuance
- (3) date Federal funds are received and credited to a State account
- (4) amount of Federal funds received
- (5) date funds were requested
- 8.2 Federal Interest Liabilities

8.2.1 A Federal interest liability shall accrue from the day the State pays out its own funds for program purposes to the day Federal funds are credited to a State account. With regard to funds transferred out of the Federal Highway Trust Fund, if a State does not bill at least weekly for current project costs, the Federal interest liability shall not accrue prior to the day the State submits a request for funds.

8.2.2 The State shall use the following method to calculate Federal interest liabilities:

Average Daily Balance:

The State shall track the actual cash activity for each Federal program by its own account. A negative cash balance at the close of business indicates the State paid out its own funds for program purposes in the absence of supporting Federal funds. The Federal interest liability shall be calculated by applying the daily interest rate to a program's average negative cash balance.

8.3 The Unemployment Trust Fund

8.3.1 The State shall use the following method to calculate State interest liabilities on funds withdrawn from the several accounts in the Unemployment Trust Fund:

Federal and State Funds are Interest Neutral:

There are no interest earnings on funds withdrawn from the State account, as the State has implemented estimated clearance, an interestneutral funding technique, for such transfers. For transfers of funds from the State and Federal accounts in the UTF that do not follow the technique specified in section 6.2 and result in a positive balance of funds in a State account, the State's liability for interest on funds withdrawn from its account in the UTF shall consist of the actual interest earnings of the benefit payment account on the pro-rata share less the related banking costs attributed to such funds.

For Federal funds withdrawn from the UTF and result in a positive balance in a State account, the State shall multiply the amount of Federal funds withdrawn by the daily rate equal to the average equivalent yields of 13-week Treasury bill auctioned during the State's fiscal year. The result is multiplied times the number of days ahead of the average day of clearance the Federal funds were deposited in a State account. This amount shall constitute the State's interest liability to be remitted back to the Federal government.

8.4 Refund Liabilities

8.4.1 The State shall be liable for interest on refunds from the date the refund is credited to a State account until the date the refund is debited from the State account for program purposes. The State shall apply a \$50,000 refund transaction threshold below which the State shall not incur or calculate interest liabilities on refunds. A transaction is defined as a single deposit.

8.4.2 For each refund, the State shall maintain information identifying:

- (1) date a refund is credited to a State account
- (2) date of the subsequent deposit of Federal funds against which the refund is offset
- (3) amount of the refund

8.4.3 The State shall use the following methodology to calculate interest liabilities on refunds:

Refunds Deposited to Interest Neutral Programs:

With programs to which applicable interest neutral funding techniques are applied, the State interest liability shall be based on the difference in whole days between the date the refund is deposited in a State account and the date the refund is offset against a subsequent deposit of Federal funds.

8.5 Exemptions

8.5.1 Where more than one State agency is a recipient of Federal funds under a program, a particular State agency's funding may be excluded from interest calculation procedures if the State agency receives an amount of funds less than 5% of the State's threshold for major Federal assistance programs. Notwithstanding this potential exemption, however, in no case shall less than 90% of a program's total funding be subject to interest calculation procedures.

Proration of calculations: If less than total program funding is subject to interest calculation procedures, the resulting interest liability calculations shall be prorated to 100% of program funding.

8.6 State Interest Liabilities

8.6.1 The State shall be liable for interest on Federal funds from the date Federal funds are credited to a State account until the date those funds are paid out for program purposes.

8.6.2 The State shall use the following method to calculate State interest liabilities on Federal funds:

8.6.2.1 Measuring Time Funds Are Held

Deposit to Clearance:

To determine the total time Federal funds are held, the State shall measure the time between the date Federal funds are received and credit to a State's account and the date those funds are debited from the State's account.

8.6.2.2 Source of Data

Bank or Agency:

The time period from Deposit to Clearance shall be determined from information captured by each State Entity or Commercial Bank and shall be determined from information captured in the State Entity's accounting system in conjunction with data provided by the Treasurer of the State of Arkansas Treasury Management System and Commercial Banks. Each State Entity is responsible for its own programs.

8.6.2.3 Standards Applied

Census (Average Daily Balance):

The average daily cash balance of Federal Funds in the program's account reflects the actual activity of each draw from the date of deposit to the date of issuance or clearance, whichever is pertinent.

8.6.2.4 Calculation Procedure

Average Daily Balance: $I = ADB \times R$, where

I = Total State Interest Liability

ADB = Average Daily Balance of pertinent Federal Funds in a program's account, measured from deposit to clearance

R = Annualized rate equal to the average equivalent yields of 13-week Treasury bills auctioned during a State's fiscal year

8.7.0 CFDA 17.225F -- DIRECT PROGRAM EXPENDITURES - The State will request through U.S. Department of the Treasury Unemployment Trust Fund (UTF) Accounting System by 12:00 noon Eastern time, for same day transfer of funds, as specified in Exhibit I.

9.0 REVERSE FLOW PROGRAMS

The State is not required to cover any reverse flow programs under the terms of this Agreement because the State does not participate in the program.

10.0 INTEREST CALCULATION COSTS

10.1 As set forth in 31 CFR 205.27, interest calculation costs are defined as those costs necessary for the actual calculation of interest, including the cost of developing and maintaining clearance patterns in support of the interest calculations. Interest calculation costs do not include expenses for normal disbursing services, such as processing of checks or maintaining records for accounting and reconciliation of cash balances, or expenses for upgrading or modernizing accounting systems. Interest calculation costs in excess of \$50,000 in any year are not eligible for reimbursement, unless the State provides justification with the annual report.

10.2 The State expects to incur the following types of interest calculation costs:

Data Processing charges necessary for the development and maintenance of clearance patterns and those costs necessary to perform actual calculation of interest liabilities.

10.3 The State shall submit all claims for reimbursement of interest calculation costs with its Annual Report in accordance with 31 CFR 205.

11.0 NON-COMPLIANCE

11.1 The provisions of 31 CFR Part 205.29 and 31 CFR Part 205.30 shall apply in cases of non-compliance with the terms of this Agreement.

12.0 AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES

Charles A. Babbitt CPA, CFE Deputy Director and Controller, Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration

(Signed by:		
Signature:	andy Babbitt 	Date Signed:	8/5/2024
Date Submitted 8/5/2024			
D. Michael Linder			
Assistant Commissioner			
Revenue Collections Manag	gement		
Bureau of the Fiscal Service	2		

U.S. Department of the Treasury

	Docusigned by:
Signature:	D. Michael Linder
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Date Signed:

8/7/2024

Exhibit I - Funds Request and Receipt Times Schedule

State of Arkansas

Federal Agency	Payment Type	Request Cut-Off Time	Receipt Window
Agriculture-FNS	ACH	11:59 PM	1 day
Agriculture-FNS	Fedwire	5:45 PM	0 day
Agriculture-FS	ACH	3:00 PM	1 day
Air National Guard	ACH	12:00 PM	15 days
Army National Guard	ACH	12:00 PM	15 days
Commerce-NOAA	ACH	2:00 PM	1 day
Dept of Homeland Security (FEMA)	Fedwire	2:00 PM	2 days
Dept of Homeland Security (ODP)	ACH	2:00 PM	2 days
Dept of Homeland Security (ODP)	Fedwire	2:00 PM	2 days
EPA	ACH	2:00 PM	2 days
EPA	Fedwire	2:00 PM	0 day
Education	ACH	3:00 PM	1 day
Education	Fedwire	2:00 PM	0 day
Energy	ACH	4:00 PM	1 day
Energy	Fedwire	3:00 PM	0 day
HHS	ACH	5:00 PM	1 day
HHS	Fedwire	3:00 PM	0 day
HUD	ACH	5:30 PM	2 days
HUD	Fedwire	3:00 PM	0 day
Interior-FWS	ACH	11:59 PM	1 day
Interior-FWS	Fedwire	5:45 PM	0 day
Interior-OSM	ACH	3:00 PM	1 day
Interior-OSM	Fedwire	1:00 PM	0 day
Justice	ACH	11:00 PM	6 days
Justice	Fedwire	2:00 PM	2 days
Labor-Non-UTF	ACH	3:00 PM	1 day
Labor-UTF	ACH	3:00 PM	1 day
Labor-UTF	Fedwire	3:00 PM	0 day
National Science Foundation (NSF)	ACH	8:00 PM	1 day
National Science Foundation (NSF)	Fedwire	5:45 PM	0 day
Social Security Administration	ACH	11:59 PM	1 day
Social Security Administration	Fedwire	5:45 PM	0 day
Transportation (FAA)	ACH	2:00 PM	1 day
Transportation (FHWA)	ACH	12:00 PM	3 days
Transportation (FHWA)	Fedwire	12:00 PM	0 day
Transportation (FTA)	ACH	2:00 PM	1 day
Veterans Administration	ACH	12:00 PM	3 days

Exhibit II - State of Arkansas LIST OF STATE CLEARANCE TIMES

(Rounded Dollar-Weighted Average Day of Clearance)

Clearance Times Where the Timing of A Draw Down Is Based on A Clearance Pattern

CFDA	Program Name	Recipient	%	Component	Technique	Rounded days
10.542	Pandemic EBT Food Benefits	Department of Human Services	100.0	Direct Program Expenditures	Actual Costs - Department of Human Services	N/A
10.551	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	Department of Human Services	100.0	Direct Program Expenditures	Actual Costs - Department of Human Services	N/A
10.555	National School Lunch Program	Department of Education	100.0	Direct Program Expenditures	Actual Clearance, ZBA - ACH	N/A
10.557	Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children	Department of Health	100.0	Direct Program Expenditures	Actual Clearance, ZBA - ACH	N/A
17.225 F	Unemployment Insurance Federal Benefit Account and Administrative Costs	Department of Workforce Services	7.0	Payroll	Estimated Clearance	N/A
	Unemployment Insurance Federal Benefit Account and Administrative Costs	Department of Workforce Services	90.0	Direct Program Expenditures	Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment	N/A
	Unemployment Insurance Federal Benefit Account and Administrative Costs	Department of Workforce Services	3.0	Administration Costs	Estimated Clearance	N/A
17.225 S	Unemployment Insurance State Benefit Account	Department of Workforce Services	100.0	Direct Program Expenditures	Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment	N/A
20.205	Highway Planning and Construction	Department of Transportation	15.0	Administrative Costs	Monthly Billing - Highway (CFDA 20.205)	N/A
	Highway Planning and Construction	Department of Transportation	65.0	Vendor/Control Payments	Average Clearance - Highway (CFDA 20.205)	N/A
	Highway Planning and Construction	Department of Transportation	20.0	Payroll	Monthly Billing - Highway (CFDA 20.205)	N/A

84.010	Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	Department of Education	91.0	Direct Program Expenditures	Actual Clearance, ZBA - ACH	N/A
	Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	Department of Education	1.0	Administrative Costs	Actual Costs - Direct Administrative	N/A
	Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	Department of Education	8.0	Payroll	Estimated Clearance	N/A
84.027	Special Education Grants to States	Department of Education	98.0	Direct Program Expenditures	Actual Clearance, ZBA - ACH	N/A
	Special Education Grants to States	Department of Education	1.0	Administrative Costs	Actual Costs - Direct Administrative	N/A
	Special Education Grants to States	Department of Education	1.0	Payroll	Estimated Clearance	N/A
84.425	Education Stabilization Fund	Department of Education	99.0	Direct Program Expenditures	Actual Clearance, ZBA - ACH	N/A
	Education Stabilization Fund	Department of Education	1.0	Administrative Costs	Actual Costs - Direct Administrative	N/A
93.558	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	Department of Human Services	4.0	Direct Program Expenditures	EBT Debit Cards (CFDA 93.558)	N/A
	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	Department of Human Services	96.0	Administrative Costs and Direct Program Expenditures	Actual Costs - Department of Human Services	N/A
93.575	Child Care and Development Block Grant	Department of Education	100.0	Direct Program Expenditures	Actual Clearance, ZBA - ACH	N/A
93.596	Child Care Mandatory and Matching Funds of the Child Care and Development Fund	Department of Education	100.0	Direct Program Expenditures	Actual Clearance, ZBA - ACH	N/A
93.767	Children's Health Insurance Program	Department of Human Services	10.0	Administrative Costs	Actual Costs - Department of Human Services	N/A
	Children's Health Insurance Program	Department of Human Services	90.0	Direct Program Expenditures	Actual Costs - Department of Human Services	N/A
93.778	Medical Assistance Program	Department of Human Services	93.0	EFT Direct Program Expenditures (Gainwell Technologies Provider Payments)	Actual Clearance, ZBA - Same Day Payment	N/A
	Medical Assistance Program	Department of Human Services	3.0	Payroll	Actual Costs - Department of Human Services	N/A
	Medical Assistance Program	Department of Human Services	3.0	Administrative Costs	Actual Costs - Department of Human Services	N/A

Medical Assistance Program Human Services	1.0	Non-EFT Direct Program Expenditures (Gainwell Technologies Provider Payments)	Estimated Clearance	N/A
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Certification

I hereby certify that an authorized State official has certified at least every five years that the "Rounded Days of Clearance" listed

in Exhibit 2 of this Treasury-State Agreement:

- 1. Have been prepared in accordance with the standards provided in 31 CFR 205.20;
- 2. Accurately represent the flow of Federal funds under the Federal assistance programs to which they apply;
- 3. Reflect seasonal or other periodic variations in the clearance activities; and,
- 4. Are auditable.

Date:	8/5/2024
Printed Name:	Andy Babbitt
	Signed by:
Certifying Signature: _	Signed by: Indy Babbitt 3E156AEC436C461
Title:	Deputy Director and State Controller

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Cash Management Improvement Act - 2025 Treasury State Agreement State of Arkansas

Exhibit II Estimated Clearance

Effective 07/01/2024 until 06/30/2025

17.225F Unemployment Insurance -- Federal Benefit Account and Administrative Costs

Day	% Cleared
Day 1	98.0
Day 2	0.0
Day 3	1.0
Day 4	1.0
Day 5	0.0
Day 6	0.0
Day 7	0.0
Day 8	0.0
Day 9	0.0
Day 10	0.0
Day 11	0.0
Day 12	0.0
Day 13	0.0
Day 14	0.0
Day 15	0.0
Day 16	0.0
Day 17	0.0
Day 18	0.0
Day 19	0.0
Day 20	0.0
Day 21	0.0
Day 22	0.0
Day 23	0.0
Day 24	0.0
Day 25	0.0
Day 26	0.0
Day 27	0.0
Day 28	0.0
Day 29	0.0
Day 30	0.0
Day 31	0.0
Total	100.0

17.225F Unemployment Insurance -- Federal Benefit Account and Administrative Costs

Day	% Cleared
Day 1	0.0
Day 2	50.5
Day 3	0.0
Day 4	12.6
Day 5	0.07
Day 6	0.27
Day 7	1.34
Day 8	15.76
Day 9	6.62
Day 10	1.76
Day 11	1.63
Day 12	0.32
Day 13	8.07
Day 14	1.06
Day 15	0.0
Day 16	0.0
Day 17	0.0
Day 18	0.0
Day 19	0.0
Day 20	0.0
Day 21	0.0
Day 22	0.0
Day 23	0.0
Day 24	0.0
Day 25	0.0
Day 26	0.0
Day 27	0.0
Day 28	0.0
Day 29	0.0
Day 30	0.0
Day 31	0.0
Total	100.0

84.010 Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies

Day	% Cleared
Day 1	98.0
Day 2	0.0
Day 3	1.0
Day 4	1.0

Day 5	0.0
Day 6	0.0
Day 7	0.0
Day 8	0.0
Day 9	0.0
Day 10	0.0
Day 11	0.0
Day 12	0.0
Day 13	0.0
Day 14	0.0
Day 15	0.0
Day 16	0.0
Day 17	0.0
Day 18	0.0
Day 19	0.0
Day 20	0.0
Day 21	0.0
Day 22	0.0
Day 23	0.0
Day 24	0.0
Day 25	0.0
Day 26	0.0
Day 27	0.0
Day 28	0.0
Day 29	0.0
Day 30	0.0
Day 31	0.0
Total	100.0

84.027 Special Education -- Grants to States

Day	% Cleared
Day 1	98.0
Day 2	0.0
Day 3	1.0
Day 4	1.0
Day 5	0.0
Day 6	0.0
Day 7	0.0
Day 8	0.0
Day 9	0.0
Day 10	0.0
Day 11	0.0
Day 12	0.0

Day 13	0.0
Day 14	0.0
Day 15	0.0
Day 16	0.0
Day 17	0.0
Day 18	0.0
Day 19	0.0
Day 20	0.0
Day 21	0.0
Day 22	0.0
Day 23	0.0
Day 24	0.0
Day 25	0.0
Day 26	0.0
Day 27	0.0
Day 28	0.0
Day 29	0.0
Day 30	0.0
Day 31	0.0
Total	100.0

93.778 Medical Assistance Program

Day	% Cleared
Day 1	0.0
Day 2	0.0
Day 3	0.0
Day 4	2.0
Day 5	39.0
Day 6	33.0
Day 7	8.0
Day 8	5.0
Day 9	0.0
Day 10	0.0
Day 11	5.0
Day 12	3.0
Day 13	2.0
Day 14	2.0
Day 15	1.0
Day 16	0.0
Day 17	0.0
Day 18	0.0
Day 19	0.0
Day 20	0.0

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Day 21	0.0
Day 22	0.0
Day 23	0.0
Day 24	0.0
Day 25	0.0
Day 26	0.0
Day 27	0.0
Day 28	0.0
Day 29	0.0
Day 30	0.0
Day 31	0.0
Total	100.0

Certification

I hereby certify that the % Cleared listed in Exhibit II Estimated Clearance of this Treasury State Agreement:

- 1. Has been prepared in accordance with the standards provided in 31 CFR 205.20;
- 2. Accurately represents the flow of federal funds under the federal assistance programs to which they apply;
- 3. Reflects seasonal or other periodic variations in the clearance activities;
- 4. Is auditable; and,
- 5. Has been certified as accurate by an authorized State Official.

Date: _____ 8/5/2024

Printed Name:	Andy Babbitt
	Signed by:
Certifying Signature:	Signed by: Andy Babbitt
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Title:	Deputy Director and State Controller