WHEREAS: In Summer Food Services Program (SFSP), a Food Service Management Company (FSMC) means any commercial enterprise or non-profit organization with which a sponsor may contract for preparing unitized meals, with or without milk for use in the SFSP or for managing a sponsor’s food service operations in accordance with the limitations set forth in the Program regulations on management responsibilities of sponsors. FSMCs may be (a) public agencies or entities; (b) private non-profit organizations; or (c) private, for-profit companies.

WHEREAS: Per 2 CFR 225.6(h)(3), FSMCs and SFAs contracted to prepare SFSP meals must provide unitized meals to the sponsors’ site(s) unless the State Agency has approved a waiver of the unitized meal requirement. The unitized meal requirement specifies that the meal components (except milk or juice) must be packaged, delivered, and served as a unit. Milk or juice, which may be packaged and provided separately, must be served with the meal and only such complete meals are reimbursable.

WHEREAS: FSMCs or food vendors solicited by SFSP Sponsors are unable to provide packaged unitized meals or choose to provide meal components in bulk.

THEREFORE: By signing this document, this SFSP Sponsor is requesting permanent exception to the unitizing requirement for all of its sites.