TO: State Directors, Rural Development  
ATTN: Business Programs Directors  
SUBJECT: Poverty Line Guidelines for Business Programs  

PURPOSE/INTENDED OUTCOME:  
We are issuing this Administrative Notice (AN) to notify Business and Cooperative Programs personnel of a change in the poverty line income figures.  

COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS AN:  
This AN replaces AN No. 4578 (4274-D), dated June 3, 2011, which expires on June 30, 2012.  

IMPLEMENTATION:  
Effective immediately and continuing until further notice, the poverty line referred to in RD Instruction 4274-D, section 4274.344(c)(2)(i), and RD Instruction 1942-G, section 1942.305(b)(3)(ii)(B), is $23,050 per year for all States except Alaska and Hawaii. The applicable poverty line is $28,820 for Alaska and $26,510 for Hawaii. These guidelines are unchanged and will remain in effect until June 30, 2013.  

Poverty line information was published by the Department of Health and Human Services in the Federal Register on January 26, 2012, on pages 4034-4035.  

(Signed by John C. Padalino)  
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EXPIRATION DATE: June 30, 2013  
FILING INSTRUCTIONS: Preceding RD Instruction 4274-D