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Question:

Prior Period MPP Insights, p. 7. Explain further the statement that "[p]ayments made to [Community Action Agencies (CAAs)] for completing [Below Budget Worksheets (BBWs)] do not include customers who were not required to complete a BBW in order to receive a below budget payment." (emphasis added)

Response:

This statement refers to directives from PURA's September 30, 2020 Decision Order No. 3 and listed at p.15 in Docket 20-07-04 whereby customers who receive *qualifying* government benefits shall *automatically* receive a below budget payment ("BBP") amount of $50. Those qualifying benefits include:

- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
- Disability/Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- State-Administered General Assistance (SAGA)
- Woman Infants and Children (WIC)
- Medicaid
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

With an automatic reduced payment option, a Community Action Agency would not need to complete a below budget worksheet and therefore not receive an incentive payout.