



LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

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COMMISSIONER

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Hon. William Craig Fugate  
Administrator  
Federal Emergency Management Agency  
500 C Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20472

Dear Administrator Fugate:

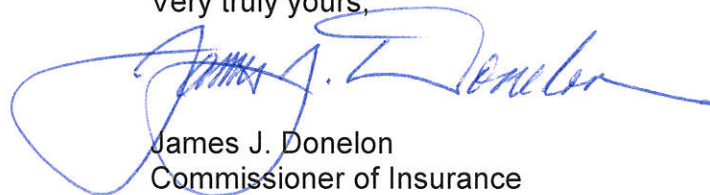
I am writing to request on behalf of the hundreds of National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) insured property owners in northwest and central Louisiana impacted by recent flooding an extension of the Proof of Loss deadline contained in their policies. Those areas have been severely impacted by the rising waters of the Red River as a result of the recent heavy rainfall in Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana. Many have been forced to evacuate their homes and additional rainfall could delay their attempts to return home delaying further their ability to start the process of filing a claim under their NFIP policy.

Following Hurricane Isaac in 2012, which caused extensive damage in Plaquemines Parish and St. John the Baptist Parish, we heard from many homeowners who needed more time to collect vital information after floodwaters destroyed their homes. FEMA authorized four extensions to its initial 60-day filing deadline, increasing policyholders' time to file to 240 days from the time of their loss. I am asking for FEMA to grant a similar courtesy to homeowners in Louisiana impacted by flooding.

I appreciate your consideration of my request and am available to discuss same at your convenience.

With best wishes and kindest personal regards, I remain

Very truly yours,



James J. Donelon  
Commissioner of Insurance

cc: Sen. David Vitter  
Sen. Bill Cassidy  
Rep. John Fleming  
Rep. Ralph Abraham