**Attachment K**

**National School Lunch Program Application**

**Paid Lunch Equity [PLE] Attestation**

As the authorized representative of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (SAU Name), I do hereby attest that the aforementioned SAU and all schools under its jurisdiction operating the National School Lunch Program authorized under the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq) are in compliance with the PLE requirements in effect for School Year 2020-2021, as stipulated in the federal regulation, ***USDA Memos SP 15-2012, SP 22-2012*** and **SP 12-2018** through one of the four options below.

**SFAs operating SSO only during SY 21-22 do not need to follow PLE requirements for SY 21-22 per USDA waiver.**

Also please note that when completing the PLE tool for SY 21-22, if SFAs do not have pricing/sales data from October 2020, they can use October 2019 pricing/sales data.

**Please complete the below chart.**

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|  | | **Price charged to Paid Students** | | | | |
| **School Name** | | | **Lunch Meal Price Charged in the School Year** | | | **\*Paid Lunch Equity Tool Results (+/-)** |
| **2019-2020** | **2020-2021**  **Please enter N/A if SSO during this year** | **2021-2022** |
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*\*This figure is to reflect the amount that the PLE Tool identified as the appropriate increase to the meal price on SY 21-22 Price Calculator, either total price increase or remaining credit carry-forward box.*

🞏 ***Option #1***: The aforementioned SAU has completed and analyzed the Paid Lunch Equity Tool [PLE] for the School Year 2021-2022, has made the necessary adjustments to the Lunch Meal Prices and attached the actual PLE Tool used to calculate the changes for school year 2020-2021.

🞏 ***Option #2****:* The aforementioned SAU elected to forgo any required meal price increase in School Year 2021-2022 and will cover any paid meals served with Non-Federal funds. A transfer of funds to cover the paid meals will completed at the end of the School Year. It will be based on the total number of Paid lunches served in School Year 2021-2022 multiplied by the commitment of $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ per Paid Lunch meal.

🞏 ***Option #3****:* The aforementioned SAU elected to split any required change in the weighted average price between a small increase in meal price and covering the balance with Non-Federal funds. A transfer of funds to cover the commitment will be completed at the end of the School Year. It will be based on the total number of Paid lunches served in School Year 2021-2022 multiplied by the commitment of $\_\_\_\_\_\_ per Paid Lunch meal.

🞏 **Option #4:** The aforementioned SAU’s Non-Profit School Fund Account had a zero or positive balance of $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (as of December 31, 2020). Therefore, the SAU is requesting an exemption from the PLE regulation. The PLE Tool was not completed and price increases or transfer of funds to cover this regulation are not required. **Reports used to determine the fund balance are included in this attachment**.

Name and Title of Superintendent – Please ***PRINT***

Signature of Superintendent Date signed

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