

VIRGIN ISLANDS

SBA DECLARATION #R105 -- MILITARY RESERVIST ECONOMIC INJURY DISASTER LOAN PROGRAM

Small businesses employing military reservists may apply for economic injury disaster loans if those employees are called up to active duty during a period of military conflict existing on or after March 24, 1999 and those employees are essential to the success of the small business daily operations. The filing period for small businesses to apply for economic injury loan assistance under the Military Reservist Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program (MREIDL) begins the date the essential employee is ordered to active duty and ends on the date 90 days after the essential employee is discharged or released from active duty.

For further information call SBA at 1-800-659-2955.

SBA DECLARATION #P067 – TROPICAL STORM JEANNE

Private, nonprofit organizations on the islands of St. Croix, St. John and St. Thomas in the Territory of the U.S. Virgin Islands are eligible to apply for SBA Disaster Loans to cover physical losses resulting from Tropical Storm Jeanne that occurred September 14 through September 17, 2004.

PNPs are encouraged to contact the Federal Emergency Management Agency first with their disaster-related needs.

General policy: PNPs that provide critical services of a governmental nature (e.g., telephone communications, sewer and wastewater treatment, electric power, direct medical care) may apply directly to FEMA for uninsured disaster-related expenses and/or disaster-related damages to the facility. PNPs that provide non-critical services of a governmental nature (e.g., museums, zoos, libraries, community centers) must first apply for disaster assistance from SBA, and exhaust SBA loan assistance, or be declined by SBA before it can seek grant assistance from FEMA.

The deadline for filing Physical-loss loan applications as a result of this disaster is December 6, 2004.

For further information, please call 1-800-659-2955.