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Economic Injury Loans for Small Businesses

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SBA Disaster Loan Deadline is December 6 for Maryland; There is Still Time to Apply

ATLANTA - The U.S. Small Business Administration is reminding disaster victims that **December 6** is the filing deadline for federal economic injury disaster loans. The SBA declared a disaster because of vomitoxin that resulted from excessive rainfall that occurred June 10, 2009 through November 30, 2009. These loans are available to **Maryland** applicants located in Caroline, Kent and Queen Anne's counties.

Under this declaration, the SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loan program is available to eligible farm-related and nonfarm-related entities that suffered financial losses as a direct result of this disaster. These loans can be up to \$2 million with, terms up to 30 years. Interest rates are 4 percent for businesses and non-profit organizations. Agricultural producers, farmer and ranchers are not eligible to apply to SBA.

For more information on the SBA's Disaster Loan Program, application or to apply online visit www.sba.gov/services/disasterassistance, or call the SBA's Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955 (800-877-8339 for the hearing-impaired) Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. ET.

Completed loan applications must be returned to SBA no later than December 6, 2010.

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For more information about the SBA's Disaster Loan Programs, visit our website at www.sba.gov.