**Section 672.220 Criteria for Denial of Authorization**

A determination by the Secretary to deny authorization will be based upon a finding that one or more of the following criteria are met:

a) The applicant has not met the requirements of the USDA WIC Regulations, the Act, or this Part.

b) The applicant has submitted false, erroneous, or inaccurate information on the application, or in the business or financial information provided to the Department or during the course of a visit of the proposed Vendor Site. (See Section 672.205.)

c) The applicant has refused to allow the Department access to visit the proposed Vendor Site during the applicant's normal business hours.

d) The applicant has submitted a FEIN or Social Security number for the business entity to be operated at the proposed Vendor Site that is not the same FEIN or Social Security number filed for the same business entity with SNAP and/or with the Illinois Department of Revenue.

e) The applicant does not have the necessary local, municipal, or village license to operate as a business entity at the proposed Vendor Site.

f) USDA SNAP has imposed against the applicant any of the following sanctions:

1) civil money penalty;

2) suspension;

3) disqualification;

4) permanent disqualification.

g) The applicant failed to pay any fine or reimbursement within the time specified by the Department.

h) The applicant qualifies as a "50% Vendor".

i) The applicant has a disqualification, suspension or repudiation currently in effect pursuant to Section 672.505, 672.510 or 672.520 or has a pending hearing for one of these actions, pursuant to Section 672.600.

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