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Kerri L. Briggs, Assistant Secretary
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Dear Dr. Briggs:

In response to the U.S. Department of Education's standards and assessment peer review letter dated June 29, 2007, California will submit a timeline in response to finding 5.0-Alignment to you next week. In regards to findings 2.0-Academic Achievement Standards and 3.0-Full Assessment System, California will submit additional information following its September State Board of Education meeting.

We are working diligently to address the findings noted in the June 29, 2007 correspondence. If you have any questions regarding this subject, please contact Gavin Payne, Chief Deputy Superintendent, California Department of Education, at (916) 319-0794 or Roger Magyar, Executive Director, State Board of Education, at (916) 319-0699.

Sincerely,



JACK O'CONNELL
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