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Ramon C. Cortines, Superintendent of Schools
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Office of Governmental Relations
Los Angeles Unified School District
333 Beaudry Avenue, 24th Floor
Los Angeles CA 90017

Re: Waiver Related to the Quality Education Investment Act

Dear Mr. Cortines and Ms. Barber:

The purpose of this letter is to follow up with you regarding the disposition letter that was sent to you by the California Department of Education (CDE) on March 18, 2009, regarding the Quality Education Investment Act (QEIA) waiver requested by LAUSD, which became effective as of April 1, 2009, and ends on March 31, 2010.

Because the State Board of Education did not affirmatively act on this waiver, we are writing to you now to clarify the limited scope of this waiver. The request that you submitted to CDE proposed to transfer 80 percent of the student body from seven schools ("originating schools") currently funded under QEIA to nine new schools ("new schools"). Further, you requested continued funding for the originating schools, based on their earlier student populations, through 2014. Under the waiver, the number of QEIA-funded schools within LAUSD would increase from 88 to 97. However, the total amount of QEIA funding that would be received by LAUSD would not increase; instead, the current QEIA funds would be allocated across a greater number of recipient schools.

If you have any questions or need further assistance please contact Debbie Rury, Interim Executive Director, SBE, at 916-319-0827.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Theodore Mitchell".

Theodore Mitchell, President
State Board of Education

cc: Gavin Payne, Chief Deputy, CDE
Judy Pinegar, Manager, Waiver Office, CDE
Debbie Rury, Interim Executive Director, SBE