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Mr. Drew Bohan Executive Director Commission on State Mandates 980 Ninth Street, Suite 300 Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Mr. Bohan:

The Department of Finance has reviewed the proposed statewide cost estimate for Claim No. 02-TC-23 "Local Agency Formation Commissions (LAFCO)."

The Department of Finance concurs with the Commission on State Mandates' (Commission) recommendation to adopt the statewide cost estimate of \$277,490 for fiscal years 2002-03 through 2008-09. As noted by the Commission's analysis, Commission staff reviewed the reimbursement claims filed and found that the average cost of the 23 claims is approximately \$12,064 per claim; however, four claims exceed this amount, ranging in cost from \$14,855-\$160,196. The Commission also notes that actual costs may be higher or lower based on audit findings or submittal of amended or late claims. Late claims for this program may be filed until March 30, 2011.

The Commission's regulations specify that proof of service shall be included with any written material filed with the Commission (1181.2, subd. (b)). Pursuant to section 1181.2, subdivision (c)(1)(E) "documents e-filed with the Commission need not be otherwise served on persons that have provided an e-mail address for the mailing list."

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Jeff Carosone, Principal Program Budget Analyst at (916) 445-8913.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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Enclosure A

DECLARATION OF JEFF CAROSONE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE CLAIM NO. 02-TC-23

1. I am currently employed by the State of California, Department of Finance (Finance), am familiar with the duties of Finance, and am authorized to make this declaration on behalf of Finance.

I certify under penalty of perjury that the facts set forth in the foregoing are true and correct of my own knowledge except as to the matters therein stated as information or belief and, as to those matters, I believe them to be true.

at Sacramento, CA

Jeff Carosone