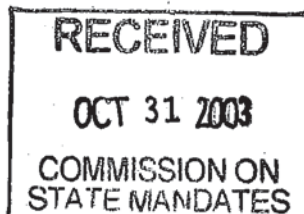




October 28, 2003



Ms. Paula Higashi  
Executive Director  
Commission on State Mandates  
980 Ninth Street, Suite 300  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Ms. Higashi:

The Department of Finance received letters from your office requesting our review of various test claims and other filings related to reimbursable state mandated costs submitted by school and community college districts. The attachment lists the test claim titles and numbers for which comments are recently past due or soon due. As a result of the numerous mandate filings, the reduction in available legal counsel from the Attorney General's Office as well as budget litigation-related demands on our in-house counsel, and our office's internal workload related to budget development and the transition in Administrations, we respectfully request an extension until February 2004 to file comments on all of these filings. To the extent possible, our office will submit comments on a flow basis. At your suggestion, we will attempt to prioritize matters that are closer to conclusion.

As required by the Commission's regulations, we are including a "Proof of Service" indicating that the parties included on the mailing lists which accompanied your letters have been provided with copies of this letter via either United States Mail or, in the case of other State agencies, Interagency Mail Service.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Matt Aguilera, Principal Program Budget Analyst at (916) 445-0328.

Sincerely,

Jeannie Oropeza  
Program Budget Manager

Attachments

PROOF OF SERVICE

Test Claim Name: See Attached List  
Test Claim Number: See Attached List

I, the undersigned, declare as follows:

I am employed in the County of Sacramento, State of California, I am 18 years of age or older and not a party to the within entitled cause; my business address is 915 L Street, 7th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814.

On October 28, 2003, I served the attached recommendation of the Department of Finance in said cause, by facsimile to the Commission on State Mandates and by placing a true copy thereof: (1) to claimants and nonstate agencies enclosed in a sealed envelope with postage thereon fully prepaid in the United States Mail at Sacramento, California; and (2) to state agencies in the normal pickup location at 915 L Street, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, for Interagency Mail Service, addressed as follows:

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration was executed on October 28, 2003, at Sacramento, California.

  
Jennifer Nelson

**REQUEST TO COMMISSION ON STATE MANDATES  
FOR EXTENSION ON FILING COMMENTS**

**Mandates with Comments Past Due**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Due Date</b>	<b>Claimant</b>
99-TC-13	Enrollment Fee Collection	8/22/2003	Los Rios CCD
02-TC-12	Crime Statistics Report (K-14)	09/30/2003	Santa Monica CCD
02-TC-21	Tuition Fee Waivers	10/02/2003	Contra Costa CCD
02-TC-22	Disabled Student Programs and Services	10/17/2003	West Kern CCD
02-TC-24	Reporting Improper Governmental Activities	10/08/2003	San Juan USD & Santa Monica CCD
02-TC-29	Extended Opportunity Programs and Services	10/13/2003	West Kern CCD
02-TC-30	School Facilities Funding Requirements	10/08/2003	Clovis USD
02-TC-37	Adult Education Enrollment Reporting	10/6/2003	Berkeley and Sacramento City USD
02-TC-42	Developer Fees	9/11/2003	Clovis USD
02-TC-46	Discrimination Complaint Procedures	10/11/2003	Santa Monica CCD
02-TC-48	Deferred Maintenance – Community Colleges	10/11/2003	Santa Monica CCD

**Mandates with Comments Due Soon**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Due Date</b>	<b>Claimant</b>
00-TC-05	Criminal Background Checks II	10/28/2003	Napa COE
00-TC-07	Integrated Waste Management	10/28/2003	Santa Monica and Lake Tahoe CCD
02-TC-32	School Accountability Report Cards III	10/28/2003	Empire Union USD, Sweetwater Union and Bakersfield City Districts
01-TC-05	School Safety Officer Training	12/5/2003	San Diego USD
02-TC-25	Notice to Students	12/15/2003	Los Rios CCD
02-TC-27	Employment of College Faculty and Administrators	12/15/2003	Santa Monica CCD
02-TC-28	Cal Grants	12/15/2003	Long Beach CCD
02-TC-31	Minimum Conditions for State Aid	12/15/2003	Santa Monica CCD
02-TC-34	Student Records	12/15/2003	Riverside USD and Palomar CCD
02-TC-35	Public Contracts (K-14)	12/15/2003	Clovis USD and Santa Monica CCD
02-TC-43	Hazardous Materials Assessments	10/27/2003	Clovis USD
02-TC-51	CA Public Records Act (K-14)	12/15/2003	Riverside USD
03-TC-02	Uniform Complaint Procedures	11/05/2003	Solano Beach School District
03-TC-05	CCC Budget and Accounting Manual	12/15/2003	Santa Monica CCD
03-TC-06	California English Development Test	10/31/2003	Castro Valley USD
03-TC-07	Instructional Materials Funding Reqts	11/03/2003	Castro Valley USD
03-TC-09	Teacher Credentialing	11/06/2003	San Diego COE
03-TC-16	Parental Involvement Programs	11/06/2003	San Jose USD
03-TC-17	California Environmental Quality Act	11/07/2003	Clovis USD