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Ms. Heather Halsey
Executive Director
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980 Ninth Street, Suite 300
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Adopted Statement of Decision and Draft Expedited Parameters and Guidelines
Teacher Credentialing, 03-TC-09
Education Code Sections 44225 et al.
San Diego County Office of Education, Claimant

Dear Ms. Halsey:

The State Controller's Office has reviewed the proposed parameters and guidelines drafted by the Commission. Below are our comments and recommendations. Proposed additions are underlined as follows:

II. ELIGIBLE CLAIMANTS

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Any "school district" as defined in Government Code section 17519, except for community colleges, which incurs increased costs as a result of this mandate, is eligible to claim reimbursement. Charter schools are not eligible to claim reimbursement.

COMMENT: The charter schools are not school districts, as defined in Government Code section 17519. Please revise for clarity and consistency.

V. CLAIM PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION

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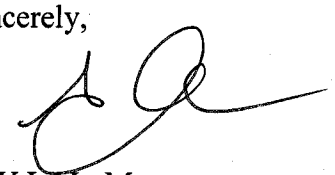
3. Contracted Services

Report the name of the contractor… report the dates when services were performed and itemize all costs for those services. If the contract services are also used for purposes other than the reimbursable activities, only the pro-rata portion of the services used to implement the reimbursable activities can be claimed. Submit contract consultant and attorney invoices with the claim and a description of the contract scope of services.

COMMENT: Please add the above language for consistency. Consultant and attorney invoices are relevant documents when claiming contracted services.

Should you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Tiffany Hoang at (916) 323-1127 or e-mail thoang@sco.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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