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Ms. Heather Halsey
Executive Director
Commission on State Mandates
980 Ninth Street, Suite 300
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Dear Ms. Halsey:

As requested in your letter of December 17, 2012, the Department of Finance has reviewed the draft parameters and guidelines released by the Commission on State Mandates (Commission) for Test Claim 03-TC-16 titled "Parental Involvement Programs".

As the result of our review, we have concluded that the draft parameters and guidelines appear to be consistent with the Statement of Decision adopted by the Commission on December 7, 2012. We do note that the Statement of Decision clarified that although Education Code Sections 11504 and 51101(b) result in separate mandated requirements for a school district to adopt parental involvement policies, districts could choose to comply with these requirements by adopting a single policy. Finance requests that the parameters and guidelines clarify, under Section IV. Reimbursable Activities, Subsection 1. One Time Activities, that to the extent school districts choose to use the same policy for both mandated requirements or the same policy for multiple schools within the district, the claimed costs reflect any resulting savings.

Pursuant to section 1181.2, subdivision (c)(1)(E) of the California Code of Regulations, "documents that are e-filed with the Commission on State Mandates 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 Elisa Wynne, Principal Program Budget Analyst at (916) 445-0328.

Sincerely,

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