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June 9, 2004

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

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**COMMISSION ON  
STATE MANDATES**

Dear Ms. Higashi:

The Department of Finance respectfully requests an extension to file comments on various test claims and other filings related to reimbursable State mandated costs submitted by school and community college districts as indicated on Attachment A. Previously, the Commission granted us an extension until May 18, 2004, to file comments on a significant number of filings. At the Commission's request, we continued to submit comments on a flow basis to the extent possible and prioritized matters that were closer to conclusion.

Although we have now submitted comments on some filings, we were unable to complete our review for a number mandates due to our May Revision-related budget workload, the complexity and scope of particular filings, and a reduction in staffing. We therefore request additional extensions on the attached list of test claims. In all cases, we request an additional 90-day extension to August 9, 2004, in order to invest the significant time required to review these submissions and allowing for our work associated with finalizing the 2004-05 Budget Act with the Legislature. As always, we will continue to submit comments on a flow basis, and would welcome the Commission's suggestions as to the relative priority of test claims that remain pending.

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 Pete Cervinka, Principal Program Budget Analyst, at (916) 445-0328 or Keith Gmeinder, State mandates claims coordinator for the Department of Finance, at (916) 445-8913.

Sincerely,

Jeannie Oropeza  
Program Budget Manager

Attachment

**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, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814.

On June 9, 2004, 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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E-08

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C-27

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D-08

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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 June 9, 2004, at Sacramento, California.



Jennifer Nelson

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

**Request for 90-day extension**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Due Date</b>	<b>Claimant</b>
02-TC-21	Tuition Fee Waivers	4/19/2004	Contra Costa CCD
02-TC-22	Disabled Student Programs and Services	5/18/2004	West Kern CCD
02-TC-24	Reporting Improper Governmental Activities	5/18/2004	San Juan USD & Santa Monica CCD
02-TC-25	Notice to Students	5/18/2004	Los Rios CCD
02-TC-27	Employment of College Faculty and Administrators	5/18/2004	Santa Monica CCD
02-TC-28	CCC—Cal Grants	5/18/2004	Long Beach CCD
02-TC-31	Minimum Conditions for State Aid	5/18/2004	Santa Monica CCD
03-TC-05	CCC Budget and Accounting Manual	4/19/2004	Santa Monica CCD