

**COMMISSION ON STATE MANDATES**

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August 27, 2008

Mr. Allan Burdick  
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*And Affected State Agencies and Interested Parties (See Enclosed Mailing List)*

**Re: Proposed Parameters and Guidelines**

*Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO), 02-TC-23*

Chapter 439, Statutes of 1991; Chapter 761, Statutes of 2000; Chapter 493, Statutes of 2002; LAFCO Municipal Service Review Guidelines and LAFCO Municipal Service Review Guidelines Appendices  
Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District, Claimant

Dear Mr. Burdick:

Parameters and guidelines for this test claim were due on November 2, 2007. The Commission on State Mandates received the proposed parameters and guidelines program on August 14, 2008. Staff reviewed the proposal and deemed it to be complete.

California Code of Regulations, title 2, sections 1183.1 et seq., states:

If proposed parameters and guidelines are not submitted within the 30-day period, and the commission has not granted an extension, then the commission shall notify the test claimant that the amount of reimbursement the test claimant is entitled to for the first 12 months of incurred costs will be reduced by 20 percent, unless the claimant can demonstrate to the commission why an extension of the 30-day period is justified.

**Review and Comments**

All state agencies and interested parties in receipt of this letter are invited to comment on the proposed parameters and guidelines. Recommendations and comments must be submitted to the Commission by **September 11, 2008**. The claimant and interested parties may file rebuttals with the Commission by **September 26, 2008**. The claimant, state agencies, and interested parties are required to submit an original and two (2) copies of written responses or rebuttals to the Commission and to simultaneously serve copies on the test claimant, state agencies, and interested parties on the mailing list.

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**Hearing**

If requested, Commission staff may conduct a pre-hearing conference. This matter is tentatively scheduled for hearing on **January 30, 2009**.

If you have any questions, please contact Heidi Palchik at (916) 323-8218.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "N. Patton", written over a large, stylized circular flourish.

NANCY PATTON

Assistant Executive Director

Enclosure: Proposed Parameters and Guidelines