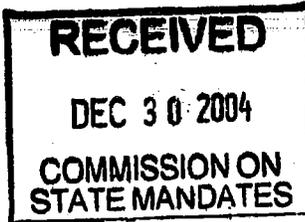


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December 28, 2004

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RE: *Various Test Claims*

Dear Ms. Oropeza:

Please remove this Office from the service list for the test claims on the list attached to the enclosed correspondence, which I am returning to you. Thank you for your consideration in this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jill Bowers".

JILL BOWERS
Deputy Attorney General

For BILL LOCKYER
Attorney General

Enclosure

cc.: Service List

1 **DECLARATION OF SERVICE**

2 I declare:

3 I am employed in the Office of the Attorney General, which is the office of a member of the Bar
4 of this Court at which member's direction this service is made. I am 18 years of age or older and
5 not a party to the within entitled case.

6 On the date indicated below, I served the following:

7 **CORRESPONDENCE FROM JILL BOWERS DATED DECEMBER 28, 2004**

8 Addressed as follows:

9 SEE ATTACHED SERVICE LIST

10 **U.S. MAIL:** I am familiar with the business
11 practice at the Office of the Attorney General for
12 collection and processing of correspondence for
13 mailing with the United States Postal Service. In
14 accordance with that practice, correspondence
15 placed in the internal mail collection system at the
16 Office of the Attorney General is deposited with the
17 United States Postal Service that same day in the
18 ordinary course of business .

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19 California Overnight
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PERSONAL SERVICE: By causing a
true copy of the above-described documents to be
hand delivered to the office(s) of the addressee(s).

20 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration
was executed on December 29, 2004, at Sacramento, California.

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December 21, 2004

Ms. Paula Higashi
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Commission on State Mandates
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Dear Ms. Higashi:

The Department of Finance respectfully requests an extension to file comments on various test claims related to reimbursable State mandated costs submitted by school and community college districts, as indicated on the enclosed attachment.

Although the Commission has previously granted various extensions, we were unable to complete our review and submit comments on the attached list of test claims due to the workload associated with the preparation of the 2005-06 Budget, the complexity and scope of particular filings, and staff turnover. We therefore request additional 90-day extensions on the attached list of test claims, to March 9, 2005, in order to invest the significant time required to review these submissions. 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 the test claims on the attached list.

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 Barbara Taylor, Principal Program Budget Analyst, at (916) 445-0328 or Jesse McGuinn, 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, 7th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814.

On December 21, 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, 7th 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 December 21, 2004, at Sacramento, California.



Jennifer Nelson

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

Request for 90-day extension

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| 02-TC-22 | Disabled Student Programs and Services | West Kern CCD |
| 02-TC-24 | Reporting Improper Governmental Activities | San Juan USD & Santa Monica CCD |
| 02-TC-25 | Notice to Students | Los Rios CCD |
| 02-TC-27 | Employment of College Faculty and Administrators | Santa Monica CCD |
| 02-TC-28 | CCC—Cal Grants | Long Beach CCD |
| 02-TC-31 | Minimum Conditions for State Aid | Santa Monica CCD |
| 03-TC-05 | CCC Budget and Accounting Manual | Santa Monica CCD |
| 03-TC-09 | Teaching Credentialing | San Diego USD |