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*And Affected State Agencies and Interested Parties (See Mailing List)*

Re: **Request for Additional Briefing**  
*Race to the Top*, 10-TC-06  
Education Code Sections 53100 et al.  
Statutes 2010, Chapter 2 (SBX5 1); and Statutes 2010 Chapter 3 (SBX5 4)  
Twin Rivers Unified School District, Claimant

Dear Ms. Bingham:

Commission staff is reviewing the above entitled test claim. To complete analysis of this test claim, Commission staff is requesting written briefing on the specific use of grant funds provided through No Child Left Behind and the federal Race to the Top funding sources. Understanding the interplay between designated state, local, and federal funding sources for this program, will be extremely helpful in preparing the draft staff analysis for this test claim. In particular, staff needs to understand whether these grant funds are sufficient to fully fund the costs of the *Race to the Top* program, and, whether these funds are required to be applied to the program or authorized to be applied to the program. Please provide citations to relevant law, including budget bill provisions, where possible.

**Written Comments**

Written comments on this issue may be filed by **September 3, 2013**. You are advised that the Commission's regulations require comments filed with the Commission to be simultaneously served on other interested parties on the mailing list, and to be accompanied by a proof of service on those parties. However, this requirement may also be satisfied by electronically filing your documents. Please see <http://www.csm.ca.gov/dropbox.shtml> on the Commission's website for instructions on electronic filing. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 1181.2.)

Please contact Giny Chandler at (916) 323-3562 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Heather Halsey".

Heather Halsey  
Executive Director