



DEPARTMENT OF  
**FINANCE**

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May 1, 2003



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

Dear Ms. Higashi:

As requested in your letter of March 28, 2003, the Department of Finance has conducted a preliminary review of the test claim amendment submitted by the Trinity Union High School District (claimant) regarding Claim No. CSM-00-TC-06 "High School Exit Examination." However, due to competing workload demands associated with the May Revision, we have been unable to complete a formal review. Therefore, we respectfully request an extension until May 16, 2003, for completion of our review and preparation of a response.

As required by the Commission's regulations, we are including a "Proof of Service" indicating that the parties included on the mailing list which accompanied your letter 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 Michael Wilkening, 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: High School Exit Examination  
Test Claim Number: CSM 00-TC-06

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 May 1, 2003, 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, Floor, for Interagency Mail Service, addressed as follows:

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Division of Accounting & Reporting  
Attention: Michael Havey  
3301 C Street, Room 500  
Sacramento, CA 95816

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State Controller's Office  
Division of Audits  
Attention: Jim Spano  
300 Capitol Mall, Suite 518  
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Department of Education  
Fiscal and Administration Services Division  
Attention: Gerald Shelton  
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State Board of Education  
Attention: Rae Belisle, Executive Director  
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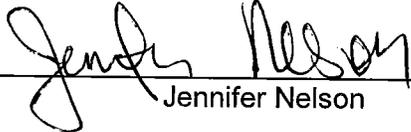
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Trinity Union High School District  
Attention: Bob Lowden  
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Weaverville, CA 96093

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 May 1, 2003, at Sacramento, California.

  
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Jennifer Nelson