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October 26, 2001



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

Dear Ms. Higashi:

This letter is to inform you that the Department of Finance has conducted a preliminary review of the test claim submitted by the Lassen and San Luis Obispo County Offices of Education (Claim No. 01-TC-02 "Cal STRS Creditable Compensation"), and as a result of our review, we have concluded we will require additional time to prepare 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 September 28, 2001, 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 Thomas Lutzenberger, state mandates claims coordinator for the Department of Finance, at (916) 445-8913.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Randal H. Baker". A horizontal line extends from the end of the signature to the right.

Randal H. Baker
Program Budget Manager

Attachment

PROOF OF SERVICE

Test Claim Name: "Cal STRS Creditable Compensation"
Test Claim Number CSM-01-TC-02

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 October 26, 2001, 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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Commission on State Mandates
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State Controller's Office
Division of Accounting & Reporting
Attention: Glenn Haas
3301 C Street, Room 500
Sacramento, CA 95816

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Mr. John Mockler, Executive Director
State Board of Education
721 Capitol Mall, Room 532
Sacramento, CA 95814

Education Mandated Cost Network
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Department of Education
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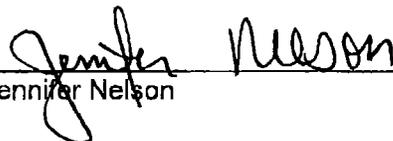
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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration was executed on October 26, 2001, at Sacramento, California.


Jennifer Nelson