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COMMISSION ON STATE MANDATES

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

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

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:

A-16
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B-8
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Division of Accounting & Reporting
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C-27
California Student Aid Commission
Attention: Diana Fuentes-Michel
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E-08
State Board of Education
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721 Capitol Mall, Room 558
Sacramento, CA 95814

G-01
California Community Colleges
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B-29
Legislative Analyst's Office
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E-08
Department of Education
Attention: Gerald Shelton
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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

Number	Title	Claimant
02-TC-21	Tuition Fee Waivers	Contra Costa CCD
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