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STATE MANDATES**

Ms. Paula Higashi
Executive Director
Commission on State Mandates
1300 I Street, Suite 950
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 Brentwood Union School District (Claim No. CSM-01-TC-03 "Acquisition of Agricultural Land for a School Site"), and as a result of the review and due to workload associated with preparing the 2002 Governor's Budget, we have concluded that we need additional time to prepare our response. Based upon your letter, our comments are due on November 5, 2001, and we are requesting an extension of 30 days from that date.

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 October 3, 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 Jeff Bell, Principal Program Budget Analyst at (916) 445-0328, or Tom 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".

RB Randal H. Baker
Program Budget Manager

Attachment

PROOF OF SERVICE

Test Claim Name: "Acquisition of Agricultural Land for a School Site"
Test Claim Number . CSM-01-TC-03

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 19, 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:

A-16
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Sacramento, CA 95816

E-8
Mr. John Mockler, Executive Director
State Board of Education
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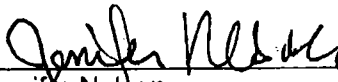
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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration was executed on October 19, 2001, at Sacramento, California.



Jennifer Nelson