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Dr. Janet Samuels  
Superintendent  
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Dear Dr. Samuels:

The Department of Education has reviewed the referendum exceptions submitted by your school district pursuant to Section 333(f) of Special Session Act 1 of 2006. In accordance with Section 333(j)(5), this is to officially notify you that referendum exceptions totaling \$4,907,530 meet the requirements of Section 333(f)(2). Using the assessed value and collection percentage reported on the Preliminary General Fund Budget, the real estate tax rate may be increased to 31.1435 mills, comprised of 29.2410 mills based on the index plus 1.9025 mills for the approved referendum exceptions.

The calculation of the real estate tax rate may differ if adjustments are made to the assessed value or collection percentage when the Final General Fund Budget is adopted. Prior to school board adoption of the 2010-2011 real estate tax rate, use the PDE-2028 budget package to determine the tax rate that generates revenue of no more than \$4,907,530 over the index.

After completion of the final budget for the 2010-2011 fiscal year, please login to the Referendum Exception System (RES) via the PDE website and complete the appropriate "SD Certification" columns on the "Certification of Utilization of Referendum Exceptions for Fiscal Year 2010-2011." This form should be returned with the signed copy of the final budget.

Questions concerning this letter may be directed to Benjamin Hanft at (717) 787-5423 or ra-res@state.pa.us.

Sincerely,

Gerald L. Zahorchak, D.Ed.