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March 11, 2008

Debra Hannigan
State Director
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Dear Ms. Hannigan:

Enclosed you will find an amended letter of findings of the monitoring process conducted at the Cumberland County Child Development Services August of 2007. The November 5, 2007 letter is amended to reflect changes required by OSEP, Office of Special Education Programs at the Federal level, reflecting removal of threshold percentages in measuring compliance during the record audit process. The previous letter used 80% accuracy as a measure of meeting compliance standards. We must now use 100%.

The letter was amended and attachments as appropriate.

I am requesting an on-site visit with the site director and staff to monitor progress in meeting the goals set forth in the Corrective Action plan submitted and accepted in January of 2008. I will be contacting the site director to arrange this visit to occur by the end of March 2008.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about this matter @ 624-6660 or by email at Erica.thompson@maine.gov. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Erica Thompson
Distinguished Educator
Child Development Services
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Enclosed: Amended Letter of findings of September 26, 2007
Amended Child Record Audit Forms
Copy to: Susan Gendron, Commissioner
David Stockford, Policy and Team Leader
Lori Whittemore, Cumberland County CDS Site Director