MEMORANDUM

TO: The Assistant Secretary for Management

FROM: The Secretary

SUBJECT: Designation as the Department of Education’s Chief Freedom of Information Act Officer

I. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

Under the authority vested in me by section 412 of the Department of Education Organization Act, 20 U.S.C. §3472, and in accordance with Section 2 of Executive Order 13392, “Improving Agency Disclosure of Information,” I hereby designate you the Department of Education’s Chief Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Officer and delegate to you, your successor in function, and anyone serving for you in an acting capacity, the authority and agency-wide responsibility for efficient and appropriate compliance with the FOIA.

Unless otherwise noted in future delegations of authority, amendments to the authority cited herein are included within the scope of this delegation.

II. RESERVATIONS: None.

III. REDELEGATION: No redelegation of these responsibilities is authorized.

IV. CERTIFICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE

This delegation is effective upon certification by the Department's Delegations Control Officer.

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Margaret Spellings

OGC Clearance and Date: /s/ William Haubert, 1/11/2006

Certified Date: 1/18/2006

Departmental Delegations Control Officer: /s/ Naty G. Beetle

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