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OFFICE OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

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Honorable Christopher Cerf
Commissioner of Education
New Jersey Department of Education
PO BOX 500
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Dear Commissioner Cerf:

The U.S. Department of Education's (ED) Student Achievement and School Accountability Programs (SASA) office reviewed the New Jersey Department of Education's (NJDOE) administration of the Title III program authorized by the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA), as amended, during the week of September 10-13, 2013. Enclosed is a report based upon the review of the Title III program.

The report includes a brief description of the scope of the monitoring review, recommendations and findings, and required corrective actions resulting from the review. The NJDOE has 30 business days from receipt of this report to respond to all findings cited in the report. ED will review the State's response to determine if all findings have been addressed sufficiently and request additional information, if necessary. ED will allow 30 business days for the State to submit additional information or work with the State to identify a reasonable timeline that allows the State to address and correct all findings. A State that has significant unresolved findings or findings that are repeated from one monitoring review to the next may have a condition placed on its grant award.

Please note that the findings cited in the report reflect the status of compliance in New Jersey at the time of the onsite review.

The ED team would like to thank Ms. Raquel Sinai for her hard work and assistance before and during the review. We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff to address the needs of English language learners.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

Cc: Raquel Sinai, Bilingual Education Coordinator, NJDOE