UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES

July 1, 2019

Honorable Jon Fernandez
Superintendent of Education
Guam Department of Education
500 Mariner Avenue
Barrigada, Guam 96913

Dear Superintendent Fernandez:

We have approved Guam's application for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2019 funds under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA Part B). Our approval is based on our review of the IDEA Part B application submitted by the Guam Department of Education (GDOE) to the U.S. Department of Education (Department), Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP), on May, 8, 2019, including the assurances provided in Section II and incorporated by reference to this letter as noted in Enclosure A.

Guam's FFY 2019 IDEA Part B grant award is being released subject to Specific Conditions that are identified in the Department's March 13, 2019 letter to Guam, included as Enclosure C to this grant letter and which letter is hereby expressly incorporated into the terms of Guam's FFY 2019 IDEA Part C grant. These Specific Conditions are being imposed by OSEP pursuant to the Department's authority in IDEA sections 616(g) and 642 and 2 CFR §§ 200.207 and 3474.10. By accepting this grant award, Guam expressly agrees to comply with the Specific Conditions identified in Enclosure C throughout the period that Guam uses its IDEA Part C FFY 2019 funds. The amended FFY 2018 specific conditions[1] and GDOE's designation as a high-risk grantee are in continued response to the need for GDOE to take actions that fully address the significant issues in its management of, and accountability for, Department grant funds. These issues led to the FFY 2003 designation of GDOE as a "high-risk" grantee under former 34 CFR § 80.12, the FFY 2007 requirement that GDOE develop and implement a Comprehensive Corrective Action Plan (CCAP) to address these issues, and the FFY 2009 requirement that GDOE must have the assistance of a third-party fiduciary agent to oversee the financial management of Department funds, to assist GDOE in implementing its CCAP, and to assist GDOE in implementing a new Financial Management Improvement System (FMIS).

On May 29, 2018, GDOE submitted a formal request for reconsideration of the specific conditions applicable to its Department grant funds, and subsequently worked with the Department to develop a Reconsideration Evaluation Plan (REP) based on the FFY 2018 specific conditions, the 2005 Office of Inspector General (OIG) audit report, and the Department's review and assessment of the status of GDOE CCAP quarterly reports, which include CCAP actions that remain outstanding. The REP is designed to: 1) provide clear guidance to GDOE on actions that it must take and complete during the reconsideration process; 2) inform the Department as it

[1] Note, GDOE's amended specific conditions apply to all grants awarded by the Department to GDOE on or after the date of the amended specific conditions, including, but not limited to, the FFY 2019 IDEA Part B grant.

determines the extent to which specific conditions may be removed and the extent to which financial management responsibilities may be returned incrementally (or otherwise) to GDOE; and 3) inform the Department as it determines whether GDOE has taken all necessary actions to perform the financial management responsibilities currently performed by the third-party fiduciary agent. As indicated in the amended specific conditions, the REP is replacing the CCAP as the document against which GDOE's progress will be measured during the reconsideration process.

GDOE will continue working with the third-party fiduciary agent on developing an organizational structure and process that will lead to GDOE demonstrating the ability to take control of key Department grant management responsibilities. While developing the plans for this structure and process, the third-party fiduciary agent will continue to perform fiscal management responsibilities for GDOE's Department funds. In the meantime, the amended FFY 2018 specific conditions describe the continuing responsibility of GDOE to work with a third-party fiduciary agent, as well as the role and responsibilities of the third-party fiduciary agent in administering Department grant funds. The Department's Office of Grants Administration (formerly, Risk Management Service) will engage with GDOE on a monthly basis to verify the status of GDOE's progress under the REP and toward transitioning responsibilities currently performed by the agent back to GDOE.

Please note that as part of your application for FFY 2019, Guam has provided a certification, pursuant to 34 CFR §76.104, that its application meets the requirements of IDEA Part B and that Guam will operate its Part B program in accordance with all of the required assurances and certifications. Any changes made by Guam, after OSEP approval, to information that is a part of Guam's Part B application, must meet the public participation requirements in 34 CFR §300.165.

Enclosed is Guam's FFY 2019 grant award for funds currently available under the Department of Education Appropriations Act, 2019 (Title III of Division B, Public Law 115-245) for the IDEA Part B Section 611 (Grants to States) program. These funds are available for obligation by States and entities from July 1, 2019, through September 30, 2021, in accordance with 34 CFR §76.709.

The amount shown in your award for the Section 611 program is only part of the total funds that will be awarded to you for FFY 2019. Of the $12,364,392,000 appropriated for Section 611 in FFY 2019, $3,081,009,000 is available for awards on July 1, 2019, and $9,283,383,000 will be available for awards on October 1, 2019. Under the Section 611 formula, the Secretary reserves not more than one percent of the amount appropriated for FFY 2019 to provide assistance to the outlying areas in accordance with their respective populations of individuals aged three through 21 and to provide each freely associated State a grant in the amount that such freely associated State received in fiscal year 2003 under Part B of the IDEA.

Enclosure B provides a short description of how Section 611 funds were allocated and how those funds can be used. In addition, Table I in Enclosure B shows funding levels for distribution of Section 611 funds and the parameters for within-State allocations.

In Section V of its IDEA Part B application, pursuant to the authority in IDEA Section 618(a)(3), Guam was required to submit data on the total amount of Guam's financial support made

available for special education and related services for children with disabilities in Guam's State fiscal year (SFY) 2017 and SFY 2018. If OSEP receives information through audits, fiscal monitoring or other means that raises questions about the data Guam has provided in Section V, OSEP will follow-up with Guam.

Section 604 of the IDEA provides that "[a] State shall not be immune under the 11th amendment to the Constitution of the United States from suit in Federal court for a violation of this [Act]." Section 606 provides that each recipient of assistance under the IDEA make positive efforts to employ and advance in employment qualified individuals with disabilities in programs assisted under the IDEA. Therefore, by accepting this grant, Guam is expressly agreeing as a condition of IDEA funding to a waiver of Eleventh Amendment immunity and to ensuring that positive efforts are made to employ and advance employment of qualified individuals with disabilities in programs assisted under the IDEA.

The enclosed grant award of FFY 2019 funds is made with the continued understanding that this Office may, from time to time, require clarification of information within your application, if necessary. These inquiries may be necessary to allow us to appropriately carry out our administrative responsibilities related to IDEA Part B.

We appreciate your ongoing commitment to the provision of quality educational services to children with disabilities.

Sincerely

/S/

Laurie VanderPloeg
Director
Office of Special Education Programs

Enclosures

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cc: State Director of Special Education

State Name: Guam

Enclosure A

Section II

A. Assurances Related to Policies and Procedures

The State makes the following assurances that it has policies and procedures in place as required by Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. (20 U.S.C. 1411-1419; 34 CFR §§300.100-300.174)

Yes *(Assurance is given.)*	**No** *(Assurance cannot be given. Provide date on which State will complete changes in order to provide assurance.)* *Check and enter date(s) as applicable*	**Assurances Related to Policies and Procedures**
X		1. A free appropriate public education is available to all children with disabilities residing in the State between the ages of 3 and 21, inclusive, including children with disabilities who have been suspended or expelled, in accordance with 20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(1); 34 CFR §§300.101-300.108.
X		2. The State has established a goal of providing a full educational opportunity to all children with disabilities and a detailed timetable for accomplishing that goal. (20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(2); 34 CFR §§300.109-300.110)
X		3. All children with disabilities residing in the State, including children with disabilities who are homeless or are wards of the State and children with disabilities attending private schools, regardless of the severity of their disabilities, and who are in need of special education and related services, are identified, located, and evaluated and a practical method is developed and implemented to determine which children with disabilities are currently receiving needed special education and related services in accordance with 20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(3); 34 CFR §300.111.
X		4. An individualized education program, or an individualized family service plan that meets the requirements of section 636(d), is developed, reviewed, and revised for each child with a disability in accordance with 34 CFR §§300.320 through 300.324, except as provided in §§300.300(b)(3) and 300.300(b)(4). (20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(4); 34 CFR §300.112)
X		5. To the maximum extent appropriate, children with disabilities, including children in public or private institutions or other care facilities, are educated with children who are not disabled, and special classes,

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		separate schooling, or other removal of children with disabilities from the regular educational environment occurs only when the nature or severity of the disability of a child is such that education in regular classes with the use of supplementary aids and services cannot be achieved satisfactorily in accordance with 20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(5)(A)-(B); 34 CFR §§300.114-300.120.
X		6. Children with disabilities and their parents are afforded the procedural safeguards required by 34 CFR §§300.500 through 300.536 and in accordance with 20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(6); 34 CFR §300.121.
X		7. Children with disabilities are evaluated in accordance with 34 CFR §§300.300 through 300.311. (20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(7); 34 CFR §300.122)
X		8. Agencies in the State comply with 34 CFR §§300.610 through 300.626 (relating to the confidentiality of records and information). (20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(8); 34 CFR §300.123)
X		9. Children participating in early intervention programs assisted under Part C, and who will participate in preschool programs assisted under this part, experience a smooth and effective transition to those preschool programs in a manner consistent with section 637(a)(9). By the third birthday of such a child, an individualized education program or, if consistent with 34 CFR §300.323(b) and section 636(d), an individualized family service plan, has been developed and is being implemented for the child. The local educational agency will participate in transition planning conferences arranged by the designated lead agency under section 635(a)(10). (20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(9); 34 CFR §300.124)
X		10. Agencies in the State, and the SEA if applicable, comply with the requirements of 34 CFR §§300.130 through 300.148 (relating to responsibilities for children in private schools), including that to the extent consistent with the number and location of children with disabilities in the State who are enrolled by their parents in private elementary schools and secondary schools in the school district served by a local educational agency, provision is made for the participation of those children in the program assisted or carried out under this part by providing for such children special education and related services in accordance with the requirements found in 34 CFR §§300.130 through 300.148 unless the Secretary has arranged for services to those

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		children under subsection (f) [By pass]. (20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(10); 34 CFR §§300.129-300.148)
X		11. The State educational agency is responsible for ensuring that the requirements of Part B are met including the requirements of 34 CFR §§300.113, 300.149, 300.150 through 300.153, and 300.175 and 300.176 and that the State monitors and enforces the requirements of Part B in accordance with 34 CFR §§300.600-300.602 and 300.606-300.608. (20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(11); 34 CFR §300.149)
X		12. The Chief Executive Officer of a State or designee of the officer shall ensure that an interagency agreement or other mechanism for interagency coordination is in effect between each public agency described in subparagraph (b) of 34 CFR §300.154 and the State educational agency, in order to ensure that all services described in paragraph (b)(1)(i) that are needed to ensure a free appropriate public education are provided, including the provision of such services during the pendency of any dispute under §300.154(a)(3). Such agreement or mechanism shall meet the requirements found in 20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(12)(A)-(C); 34 CFR §300.154.
X		13. The State educational agency will not make a final determination that a local educational agency is not eligible for assistance under this part without first affording that agency reasonable notice and an opportunity for a hearing. (20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(13); 34 CFR §300.155)
X		14. The State educational agency has established and maintains qualifications to ensure that personnel necessary to carry out this part are appropriately and adequately prepared and trained, including that those personnel have the content knowledge and skills to serve children with disabilities as noted in 20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(14)(A)-(E); 34 CFR §300.156.
X		15. The State has established goals for the performance of children with disabilities in the State that meet the requirements found in 20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(15)(A)-(C); 34 CFR §300.157.
X		16. All children with disabilities are included in all general State and districtwide assessment programs, including assessments described under section 1111 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, with appropriate accommodations and alternate assessments where necessary and as indicated in their respective individualized

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		education programs as noted in 20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(16)(A)-(E); 34 CFR §300.160.
X		17. Funds paid to a State under this part will be expended in accordance with all the provisions of Part B including 20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(17)(A)-(C); 34 CFR §300.162.
X		18. The State will not reduce the amount of State financial support for special education and related services for children with disabilities, or otherwise made available because of the excess costs of educating those children, below the amount of that support for the preceding fiscal year, unless a waiver is granted, in accordance with 20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(18)(A)-(D); 34 CFR §§300.163 through 300.164.
X		19. Prior to the adoption of any policies and procedures needed to comply with this section (including any amendments to such policies and procedures), the State ensures that there are public hearings, adequate notice of the hearings, and an opportunity for comment available to the general public, including individuals with disabilities and parents of children with disabilities. (20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(19); 34 CFR §300.165)
X		20. In complying with 34 CFR §§300.162 and 300.163, a State may not use funds paid to it under this part to satisfy State-law mandated funding obligations to local educational agencies, including funding based on student attendance or enrollment, or inflation. (20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(20); 34 CFR §300.166)
X		21. The State has established and maintains an advisory panel for the purpose of providing policy guidance with respect to special education and related services for children with disabilities in the State as found in 20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(21)(A)-(D); 34 CFR §§300.167-300.169.
X		22. The State educational agency examines data, including data disaggregated by race and ethnicity, to determine if significant discrepancies are occurring in the rate of long-term suspensions and expulsions of children with disabilities in accordance with 20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(22)(A)-(B); 34 CFR §300.170.
X		23a. The State adopts the National Instructional Materials Accessibility Standard for the purposes of providing instructional materials to blind persons or other persons with print disabilities, in a timely manner after the publication of the National Instructional Materials Accessibility

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		Standard in the Federal Register in accordance with 20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(23)(A) and (D); 34 CFR §300.172.
X		23b. *(Note: Check either "23b.1" or "23b.2" whichever applies.*
X		23b.1 The State educational agency coordinates with the National Instructional Materials Access Center and not later than 12/03/06 the SEA as part of any print instructional materials adoption process, procurement contract, or other practice or instrument used for purchase of print instructional materials enters into a written contract with the publisher of the print instructional materials to: • require the publisher to prepare and, on or before delivery of the print instructional materials, provide to the National Instructional Materials Access Center, electronic files containing the contents of the print instructional materials using the National Instructional Materials Accessibility Standard; or • purchase instructional materials from the publisher that are produced in, or may be rendered in, specialized formats. (20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(23)(C); 34 CFR §300.172)
		23b.2 The State educational agency has chosen not to coordinate with the National Instructional Materials Access Center but assures that it will provide instructional materials to blind persons or other persons with print disabilities in a timely manner. (20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(23)(B); 34 CFR §300.172)
X		24. The State has in effect, consistent with the purposes of the IDEA and with section 618(d) of the Act, policies and procedures designed to prevent the inappropriate overidentification or disproportionate representation by race and ethnicity of children as children with disabilities, including children with disabilities with a particular impairment described in 34 CFR §300.8. (20 U.S.C 1412(a)(24); 34 CFR §300.173)
X		25. The State educational agency shall prohibit State and local educational agency personnel from requiring a child to obtain a prescription for a substance covered by the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 812(c)) as a condition of attending school, receiving an evaluation under 34 CFR §§300.300 through 300.311, or receiving services under the IDEA as described in 20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(25)(A)-(B); 34 CFR §300.174.

B. Other Assurances

The State also makes the following assurances:

Yes	Other Assurances
X	1. The State shall distribute any funds the State does not reserve under 20 U.S.C. 1411(e) to local educational agencies (including public charter schools that operate as local educational agencies) in the State that have established their eligibility under section 613 for use in accordance with this part as provided for in 20 U.S.C. 1411(f)(1)-(3); 34 CFR §300.705.
X	2. The State shall provide data to the Secretary on any information that may be required by the Secretary. (20 U.S.C. 1418(a)(3); 34 CFR §§300.640-300.645.)
X	3. The State, local educational agencies, and educational service agencies shall use fiscal control and fund accounting procedures that insure proper disbursement of and accounting for Federal funds. (34 CFR §76.702)
X	4. As applicable, the assurance in OMB Standard Form 424B (Assurances for Non-Construction Programs), relating to legal authority to apply for assistance; access to records; conflict of interest; merit systems; nondiscrimination; Hatch Act provisions; labor standards; flood insurance; environmental standards; wild and scenic river systems; historic preservation; protection of human subjects; animal welfare; lead-based paint; Single Audit Act; and general agreement to comply with all Federal laws, executive orders and regulations.

C. Certifications

The State is providing the following certifications:

Yes	
X	1. The State certifies that ED Form 80-0013, *Certification Regarding Lobbying*, is on file with the Secretary of Education. With respect to the *Certification Regarding Lobbying,* the State recertifies that no Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the making or renewal of Federal grants under this program; that the State shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," when required (34 CFR Part 82, Appendix B); and that the State Agency shall require the full certification, as set forth in 34 CFR Part 82, Appendix A, in the award documents for all sub awards at all tiers.
X	2. The State certifies that certification in the Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) at 34 CFR §76.104 relating to State eligibility, authority and approval to submit and carry out the provisions of its State application, and consistency of that application with State law are in place within the State.
X	3. The State certifies that the arrangements to establish responsibility for services pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(12)(A)-(C); 34 CFR §300.154 (or 20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(12)(A); 34 CFR §300.154(a) are current. This certification must be received prior to the expenditure of any funds reserved by the State under 20 U.S.C. 1411(e)(1); 34 CFR §300.171.

Enclosure C

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

OFFICE OF FINANCE AND OPERATIONS

OFFICE OF GRANTS ADMINISTRATION

March 13, 2019

Superintendent Jon Fernandez
Guam Department of Education
500 Mariner Avenue
Barrigada, Guam 96913

Dear Superintendent Fernandez:

Enclosed are the corrected amended Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2018 specific conditions for U.S. Department of Education (Department) grants awarded to the Guam Department of Education (GDOE). These corrections reflect the agreed upon removal of specific conditions related to: (1) Prompt Access; (2) Program-Specific Conditions; and (3) Compliance with Program Requirements, which were included in the Department's January 29, 2019 communication.

The Department continues its commitment to acknowledging the progress that GDOE in making toward strengthening its management and administration of Department grant funds; as well as providing assistance to GDOE during the reconsideration evaluation process. If you have any questions or require further assistance, please contact Christine Jackson, the primary contact for Risk Management Services Division of the Office of Grants Administration within the Office of Finance and Operations, at (202) 245-8276 or via e-mail at christine.jackson@ed.gov.

Sincerely,

Jim Stader, P.E.
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Grants Administration
Office of Grants Administration
Office of Finance and Operations

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

OFFICE OF FINANCIAL OPERATIONS

OFFICE OF GRANTS ADMINISTRATION

January 30, 2019

Superintendent Jon Fernandez
Guam Department of Education
500 Mariner Avenue
Barrigada, Guam 96913

Dear Superintendent Fernandez:

Enclosed are amended Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2018 specific conditions for U.S. Department of Education (Department) grants awarded to the Guam Department of Education (GDOE). These amended specific conditions will apply to all grants awarded by the Department to GDOE on or after the date of these amended specific conditions, including, but not limited to, FFY 2019 grants awarded by the Department to GDOE on or after July 1, 2019. Additionally, these amended specific conditions apply to all grant funds previously awarded by the Department to GDOE that are still available for obligation or liquidation on the date of these amended specific conditions.

The amended FFY 2018 specific conditions and GDOE's designation as a high-risk grantee pursuant to 2 CFR §§200.207 and 3474.10 are in continued response to the need for GDOE to take actions that fully address the significant issues in its management of, and accountability for, Department grant funds. These issues led to the FFY 2003 designation of GDOE as a "high-risk" grantee under former 34 CFR § 80.12, the FFY 2007 requirement that GDOE develop and implement a Comprehensive Corrective Action Plan (CCAP) to address these issues, and the FFY 2009 requirement that GDOE must have the assistance of a third-party fiduciary agent to oversee the financial management of Department funds, to assist GDOE in implementing its CCAP, and to assist GDOE in implementing a new Financial Management Improvement System (FMIS).

On May 29, 2018, GDOE submitted to the Department a formal request for reconsideration of the specific conditions applicable to its Department grant funds. During the next several months, the Department worked with GDOE to develop a process for reconsideration, resulting in a Reconsideration Evaluation Plan (REP). The REP, which is also enclosed, is based on the FFY 2018 specific conditions, the 2005 Office of Inspector General (OIG) audit report, and the Department's review and assessment of the status of GDOE CCAP quarterly reports, which include CCAP actions that remain outstanding. The REP is

designed to: 1) provide clear guidance to GDOE on actions that it must take and complete during the reconsideration process; 2) inform the Department as it determines the extent to which specific conditions may be removed and the extent to which financial management responsibilities may be returned incrementally (or otherwise) to GDOE; and 3) inform the Department as it determines whether GDOE has taken all necessary actions to render it capable of performing the financial management responsibilities currently performed by the third-party fiduciary agent, resulting in the removal of the requirement for the third-party fiduciary agent. As reflected in the amended specific conditions, the REP is replacing the CCAP as the document against which GDOE's progress will be measured during the process of reconsidering the specific conditions.

The Department acknowledges that GDOE will continue working with the third-party fiduciary agent on developing an organizational structure and process that will lead to GDOE having the opportunity to demonstrate the ability to take control of key Department grant management responsibilities. While developing the plans for this structure and process, the third-party fiduciary agent will continue to perform fiscal management responsibilities for GDOE's Department funds. The Department understands that GDOE proposes to submit its restructuring plan to the Department within the next 12 months for approval prior to implementation.

In the meantime, the amended FFY 2018 specific conditions describe the continuing responsibility of GDOE to work with a third-party fiduciary agent, as well as the role and responsibilities of the third party fiduciary agent in administering Department grant funds. The FFY amended 2018 specific conditions also require GDOE to implement the REP. As noted under section III.E, the REP must be incorporated as an addendum to the contract between GDOE and the third-party fiduciary agent, inclusive of the responsibilities for GDOE and the agent described in Attachments A and B of these conditions. The Office of Grants Administration (formerly, Risk Management Service) will engage with GDOE on a monthly basis to verify the status of GDOE's progress under the REP and toward transitioning responsibilities currently performed by the agent back to GDOE staff.

The Department is committed to assisting GDOE in making significant improvements in its management and administration of Department grant funds and in providing assistance to GDOE during the reconsideration evaluation process. If you have any questions or require further assistance, please contact Christine Jackson, the primary contact for Risk Management Services Division of the Office of Grants Administration within the Office of Financial Operations, at (202) 245-8276 or via e-mail at christine.jackson@ed.gov.

Sincerely,

Jim Stader
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Grants Administration
Office of Grants Administration
Office of Finance and Operations

Enclosure

cc: Governor Lou Leon Guerrero
Mark Mendiola, Chairman, Guam Education Board
Congressman Michael San Nicolas
Frank Brogan, Assistant Secretary, Elementary and Secondary Education

Guam Department of Education
Federal Fiscal Year 2018 Amended Specific Conditions

PREAMBLE: These amended specific conditions supersede the specific conditions dated June 27, 2018. These amended specific conditions are imposed on all program grants issued by the U.S. Department of Education (Department) to the Guam Department of Education (GDOE) on or after the date of these specific conditions, including but not limited to, Federal fiscal year (FFY) 2019 grants awarded by the Department to GDOE on or after July 1, 2019. Additionally, as described herein, these amended specific conditions apply to grant funds previously awarded by the Department to GDOE that are still available for obligation or liquidation on the date of these amended specific conditions. These amended specific conditions are applied to these program grant funds in accordance with regulations governing "high-risk" grantees and specific conditions in 2 CFR §§ 200.207 and 3474.10 in the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Pending GDOE's completion and implementation of measures that are in progress and designed to address deficiencies in its financial management and administration of Department funds, these amended specific conditions are imposed on GDOE's Department grants to ensure that GDOE implements Department grant awards in accordance with applicable legal requirements and with appropriate fiscal accountability measures, management practices and controls.

I. BACKGROUND

In September 2003, the Department designated GDOE a "high-risk" grantee under the authority of former 34 CFR § 80.12. This was based on the Department's determination that GDOE lacked fiscal and programmatic accountability in the administration of Federal education programs as evidenced by its failure to provide the Department with timely and complete single audits, as required by the Single Audit Act, and by the auditors' declaration that GDOE's records for FFYs 1998-2000 were unauditable.

In the special conditions imposed on GDOE's FFY 2007 grant awards, the Department required GDOE to develop a Comprehensive Corrective Action Plan (CCAP) to address the underlying problems associated with its high-risk designation. The CCAP was meant to address persistent problems related to GDOE's internal controls, including accounting and reconciling its financial records for Department grant funds in accordance with Federal requirements; implementing monitoring to ensure that grant and subgrant-supported activities are carried out in accordance with Federal program statutes, regulations, and other requirements; instituting procurement and property management processes that comply with Federal requirements; and implementing appropriate cash management procedures. GDOE developed a CCAP, but failed to make significant progress in implementing the CCAP measures. In particular, GDOE did not make substantial progress in implementing its Financial Management Improvement Plan (FMIP), a core feature of the CCAP that involves instituting a Financial Management Improvement System (FMIS) to enable GDOE to significantly improve its financial management of Department grant awards.

In November 2009, based on GDOE's lack of progress over two years under the CCAP, and in accordance with section II.H of the FFY 2008 and 2009 special conditions applicable to GDOE's Department grant awards, the Department issued amended special conditions to GDOE dated November 25, 2009, which notified GDOE that it would require GDOE to procure the services of a third-party fiduciary agent, acceptable to the Department, to perform the financial management duties required under Federal regulations for all Department grant awards made to GDOE. The requirement for a third-party fiduciary agent is maintained in these FFY 2018 amended specific conditions, as set forth in further detail below. In addition, because GDOE has not, to date, met the requirements regarding the management of Department funds by States (formerly in Part 80 of the Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR), replaced by the Uniform Guidance, 2 CFR Part 200), these amended specific conditions explicitly require GDOE to comply with the provisions of the Uniform Guidance that apply to grantees other than States.

II. SPECIFIC CONDITIONS

A. Requirement for Third-Party Fiduciary Agent

On September 13, 2010, GDOE entered into a contract with a third-party fiduciary agent, Alvarez & Marsal, LLC (A&M), approved by the Department, as required by section II.A of the FFY 2009 Amended Special Conditions imposed on Department grants awarded to GDOE. GDOE has maintained this contract with A&M for the past eight years and has renegotiated the contract with A&M for an additional two years through October 31, 2020. The Department will not authorize the obligation, liquidation or expenditure of Department funds unless a third-party fiduciary agent is in place for the full period of these specific conditions, or until the Department notifies GDOE in writing that the services of a third-party fiduciary agent are no longer required.

B. Responsibilities of GDOE and the Third-Party Fiduciary Agent (Agent) Concerning Administration of Grant Funds

The responsibilities and requirements of GDOE in working with the Agent are set forth in Attachment A to these amended specific conditions. The responsibilities and requirements of the Agent in carrying out the financial management duties for GDOE's Department grants are set forth in Attachment B to these amended specific conditions.

C. Reconsideration Evaluation Plan (REP)

1. On May 29, 2018, GDOE submitted to the Department a formal request for reconsideration of the FFY 2018 specific conditions applicable to its Department grant funds. Subsequently, the Department and GDOE worked together to develop a process for reconsideration, resulting in a Reconsideration Evaluation Plan (REP). The REP is based on the FFY 2018 specific conditions, the 2005 Office of Inspector General (OIG) audit report, and the Department's review and assessment of the status of GDOE quarterly reports under its Comprehensive Correction Action Plan (CCAP).

The CCAP, originally developed in 2007 and since revised, was designed to address the fiscal deficiencies in administering Department grant awards that led to GDOE's designation as a "high-risk" grantee. It contained tasks with measurable objectives and completion dates to correct a number of recurring findings, including the development and implementation of the FMIS, the strengthening of internal controls over financial management and procurement, and the strengthening and improvement of GDOE's Business Office operations. Until now, the CCAP, and the CCAP quarterly reports, have served as the vehicle for measuring GDOE's progress in addressing the identified fiscal deficiencies. Pursuant to these amended specific conditions, the REP now serves as the sole plan against which GDOE's progress will be evaluated during the reconsideration process.

2. The REP has been developed in a manner that will 1) provide clear guidance to GDOE on actions that it must take and complete during the reconsideration process; 2) inform the Department as it determines the extent to which specific conditions may be removed and the extent to which financial management responsibilities may be returned to GDOE without continuing third-party fiduciary agent oversight for those responsibilities, including on an incremental basis, as appropriate; and 3) inform the Department as it determines whether GDOE has taken all necessary actions to render it capable of performing the financial management responsibilities currently performed by the Agent, ultimately resulting in the removal of the requirement for the Agent.

3. The REP contains benchmarks, identifies the documentation that GDOE must submit for evaluation to the Department and submission deadlines, and describes the manner of evaluation by the Department, either onsite or virtual. As described in the REP, the GDOE Internal Audit Office (IAO) also has responsibility for reviewing documentation of completion and validating its sufficiency.

D. Single Audits

GDOE must continue to ensure that its single audits are conducted, and audit reports submitted, annually and in a timely and complete manner. All single audits must be completed and reports published within nine months after the end of each fiscal year, as required by the Single Audit Act, as amended. If GDOE expects an audit or report to be submitted late, it must promptly notify the Department's contact person of the reason and extent of the delay.

The Department acknowledges that both GDOE and the Agent, acting on behalf of GDOE, are maintaining records related to the management of GDOE's Department grant funds and that the Agent is maintaining the financial management system for GDOE's Department grant funds. Accordingly, both GDOE and the Agent are required to provide the auditors with access to all records necessary to facilitate an effective audit of the Department grant and matching funds made available to GDOE.

III. ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

A. Failure to Comply with Conditions

Failure to comply with any of these amended specific conditions will negatively impact GDOE's ability to continue to receive grant funds from the Department. These terms and conditions do not preclude the Department from taking any authorized enforcement or other actions at any time, including, but not limited to, withholding of Department funds.

B. Submission of Reports

All reports or other submissions that GDOE or the Agent are required to submit to the Department under these amended specific conditions must be sent to:

Christine Jackson
550 12th Street, SW
PCP, Room 11064
Washington, DC 20202

C. Reconsideration and Modifications

At any time, GDOE may request reconsideration of the above amended specific conditions by contacting the Department contact named above in paragraph III.B of these conditions, and stating in writing the reasons why GDOE believes any particular condition should be amended or removed. The Department may impose additional specific conditions or modify these amended specific conditions, as appropriate. The Department will remove the amended specific conditions in total at such time as GDOE fully demonstrates, to the Department's satisfaction, the ability to manage Department funds, and property acquired with Department funds, in a manner that complies with applicable Federal requirements concerning accountability and grants management. In the interim, as appropriate, certain conditions may be removed incrementally, and the specific financial and management responsibilities corresponding to those conditions returned to GDOE without requirement for third-party fiduciary agent oversight, as GDOE completes, and the GDOE IAO and the Department review and validate completion of, benchmarks identified in the REP.

D. Notification and Approval of Amendments to Contract Between GDOE and Agent

GDOE must notify the Department of any proposed amendment to the contract between GDOE and the Agent, and must submit the proposed amendment to the Department for approval prior to execution of the amendment by the parties.

E. Incorporation of Specific Conditions as Addendum to Contract

GDOE and the Agent must immediately incorporate these amended specific conditions as an addendum to the contract between GDOE and the Agent, and must provide written notice to the Department that the conditions have been so incorporated.

Dated: March 13, 2019

Attachment A to the GDOE FFY 2018Amended Specific Conditions

Responsibilities and Requirements of GDOE
(to be incorporated into any contract for services with the Agent)

The responsibilities and requirements of GDOE in working with the Agent under these GDOE FFY 2018 amended specific conditions are as follows:

1. GDOE must work cooperatively and in a timely manner with the Agent to implement the activities and responsibilities described in these amended specific conditions.

2. GDOE must permit the Agent's personnel to have access to all financial books, records, and reports related to funds made available to GDOE by the Department, or used for matching, and access to GDOE personnel for discussion regarding the services the Agent must perform under these amended specific conditions, as provided for in the contract between GDOE and the Agent.

3. GDOE must notify the Department when any dispute arises and remains unresolved between the Agent and GDOE concerning the implementation or continuation of the contract with the Agent, or the implementation of activities supported by Department grants, including the financial management of grant funds. GDOE agrees that the Department may assist in the resolution of any such unresolved dispute and agrees to cooperate with any requests from the Department for additional information related to the dispute and to participate in conference calls with the Agent and the Department. This does not preclude GDOE and the Agent from including formal dispute resolution mechanisms in their contract.

4. GDOE must comply with all Federal laws and regulations that apply to the receipt and use of funds awarded under Department grants, including those under EDGAR, and applicable Federal program statutes and regulations.

5. GDOE remains responsible for the provision of program services under Department grants.

6. Prior to any drawdowns or disbursements, GDOE must provide the Agent with a line-item budget for the total amount of each grant and subgrant, if applicable, that has been approved and verified by the Department. The line-item budget must include amounts for State administration, State-level program activities, and local-level program activities. For purposes of the Consolidated Grant to Insular Areas (Consolidated Grant), GDOE must provide the Agent with line-item budgets for each program under which GDOE will use Consolidated Grant funds. The line-item budget for each of these programs must be based on the total amount of Consolidated Grant funds to be used for each program and include amounts for State administration, State-level program activities, and local-level program activities.

7. GDOE is responsible for: (i) executing drawdowns of funds under the grants from the Department's Grants Management System (G5) so that funds are deposited into a separate bank account established and maintained by the Agent; and (ii) providing to the Agent, for deposit into the separate bank account established by the Agent, any matching funds required for the grants. GDOE understands and agrees that it must draw down funds and provide any applicable matching funds to the Agent within 24 hours of receipt of a written request from the Agent. Consideration may be given for reasonable delays due to any time differences that may exist between GDOE and its vendors. However, failure by GDOE to comply with this condition may result in the transfer of drawdown authority to the Agent, at the Department's discretion. Upon receiving notice of GDOE's failure to draw down funds in accordance with this condition, the Department will decide whether to transfer drawdown authority to the Agent. Upon receiving written notice of a decision by the Department to transfer drawdown authority to the Agent, GDOE must take all steps necessary to provide the Agent with full authority to perform drawdowns, including providing any information and authorization that the Department needs to recognize the Agent as the entity with drawdown authority.

8. GDOE must use fiscal control and accounting procedures that meet the requirements imposed on non-Federal entity grantees in 2 CFR §§ 200.302, 200.303, and 200.305(b).

9. GDOE must expend Federal and matching funds only for costs that are allowable under the respective grant programs, in accordance with the regulations and cost principles in 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart E. Additionally, for purposes of the Consolidated Grant, GDOE must expend Federal and matching funds only for allowable costs under, and included in, each Department-approved Consolidated Grant plan applicable to the fiscal year in which the costs were obligated. GDOE acknowledges that the Agent has the responsibility to ensure that Department funds are used only for allowable costs, including costs that are necessary, reasonable, and allocable to the respective grants as required by 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart E, and that are procured in accordance with applicable procurement requirements in 2 CFR §§ 200.318-200.326. Where there is a question as to whether a cost is allowable, the Agent must raise this question with GDOE and, if the Agent deems it necessary, may also request assistance from the Department in determining the allowability of any expenditure.

10. GDOE must coordinate the timing of drawdowns and disbursements with the Agent to ensure that payments to staff, vendors and providers are prompt and timely. To the extent feasible, GDOE must draw down funds in a timely manner so that funds under the grants are deposited to the separate bank account on the same day that funds are drawn from the account to liquidate obligations under the grants. GDOE, as appropriate and at the Agent's direction, must draw down sufficient funds under a grant to cover each approved request for payment.

11. GDOE must charge its grants only for costs resulting from obligations that were properly made during the period of availability for the funds, including any carryover period. To ensure against the lapsing of Department funds, GDOE must provide the Agent with the amount and nature of all obligations in a timely manner to ensure that obligations are liquidated no later than 90 days after the end of the funding period, or during any extension of that period authorized by the Department, in accordance with 2 CFR § 200.343(b).

12. GDOE must establish and maintain an effective process for tracking and reporting time and effort spent by all employees whose salaries are paid under Department grants, including, but not limited to, maintaining accurate and up-to-date employee staffing lists and notices of personnel actions, distributing time among different funding sources for split-time employees, making timely and accurate adjustments to time and effort information entered into the payroll system, and properly allocating salary costs among Department grants based on records that accurately and properly record the distribution of each employee's work on multiple cost objectives, the time the employee attends work, and, for those employees who work on a single cost objective, semiannual certifications. GDOE must carry out these responsibilities consistent with Federal requirements in 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart E, and more specifically, 2 CFR §§ 200.430 and 200.431.

13. GDOE must work with the Agent to ensure that the charging of direct and indirect costs against the respective Department grants is consistent with the applicable restricted and unrestricted indirect cost rates negotiated with, and approved by, the U.S. Department of Interior (GDOE's cognizant Federal agency), and that copies of any indirect cost rate proposals or agreements are provided to the Agent and comply with the applicable requirements of 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart E, and 34 CFR §§ 75.560-564 (discretionary grants) and 34 CFR §§ 76.560-569 (formula grants).

14. GDOE must grant the Agent authority to enter into contracts with vendors on behalf of GDOE, and in doing so, GDOE must cooperate with the Agent to ensure compliance with the provisions for procurement set forth in 2 CFR §§ 200.318-200.326.

15. GDOE must provide effective oversight of proposed procurements, including, but not limited to, training all staff on, and reviewing all requisitions against, local and Department requirements for procuring goods and services, to facilitate the timely review and approval of purchase orders by the Agent, and to reduce the number of requisitions that are disallowed by the Agent for not meeting these requirements.

16. GDOE must ensure that within 24 hours of receipt of a vendor's invoice from the Agent, GDOE staff must (i) accept or reject the goods or services, and, if accepted, (ii) draw down funds for the vendor payment for deposit into the separate bank account maintained by the Agent.

17. GDOE must work with the Agent to ensure that all tangible personal property procured under Department grants is managed in accordance with the requirements of 2 CFR §§ 200.313(a) and (c)-(e) to ensure that such property is properly inventoried, maintained, and stored to prevent loss, damage, or theft of such property.

18. All transactions under the contract between GDOE and the Agent must be consistent with all applicable Federal requirements, including those in the Uniform Guidance at 2 CFR Part 200 and EDGAR at 34 CFR Parts 75 or 76, as appropriate.

19. In transferring to a new Financial Management Improvement System (FMIS), GDOE must work with the Agent as the Agent assists in (i) training the appropriate GDOE employees, (ii) providing transition assistance (including, but not limited to, transferring all necessary data from the Agent to the new FMIS), and (iii) communicating information from the Agent to any other contractor involved in implementing the new FMIS.

20. Except as noted herein, GDOE shall comply with all applicable provisions of EDGAR.

21. GDOE may include any other terms in the contract with the Agent, consistent with those above, as are necessary to ensure timely liquidation of all Department funds; timely payment to staff, providers and vendors; and general financial management consistent with applicable Federal regulations and Department grant awards.

Attachment B to the GDOE FFY 2018 Amended Specific Conditions

Responsibilities and Requirements of the Third-Party Fiduciary Agent
(to be incorporated into any contract for services with the Agent)

The responsibilities and requirements of the Agent under these GDOE FFY 2018 amended specific conditions are as follows:

1. The Agent must work cooperatively and in a timely manner with GDOE to implement the activities and responsibilities described in these amended specific conditions.

2. The Agent's role encompasses financial management responsibilities concerning Department grants, including, but not limited to, processing payments and disbursements, maintaining financial records, financial reporting, instituting and applying procurement, inventory, and payroll procedures that comply with applicable Federal requirements, and other duties as more fully described below.

3. The Agent must use the line-item budgets submitted by GDOE, as described in Attachment A, section 6, to track projected and actual expenditures for the programs under Department grants. The Agent must ensure that the expenditures proposed are only for allowable costs under each grant.

4. The Agent must establish, maintain, and manage a separate bank account for all Department grant funds. The Agent must provide GDOE, as appropriate, with written notice (e.g., copy of invoice) of when funds are needed for a disbursement under a particular grant.

5. The Agent must acknowledge that GDOE has drawdown authority and that it understands and agrees that it must draw down funds and provide any applicable matching funds to the Agent within 24 hours of receipt of the written notice from the Agent. Consideration may be given for reasonable delays due to any time differences that may exist between GDOE and its vendors. Failure by GDOE to reasonably comply with this condition concerning the time within which it must draw down funds may result in the Department requiring the transfer of drawdown authority to the Agent. In the event of GDOE's failure to draw down funds in accordance with this condition, the Agent must notify the Department, and the Department will determine whether drawdown authority must be transferred to the Agent. If so, then immediately upon written notice of this decision from the Department, GDOE, as appropriate, must take all steps necessary to provide the Agent with full authority to perform drawdowns, including providing any information and authorization that the Department needs to recognize the Agent as the entity with drawdown authority.

6. The Agent must use fiscal control and accounting procedures that meet the requirements imposed on non-Federal entity grantees in accordance with 2 CFR §§ 200.302, 200.303, and 200.305(b).

7. The Agent must expend funds only for costs that are allowable under the respective grant programs, in accordance with 2CFR Part 200, Subpart E. Additionally, for purposes of the Consolidated Grant, the Agent must expend funds only for allowable costs under, and included in, each Department-approved Consolidated Grant plan applicable to the fiscal year in which the costs were obligated. If the Agent questions whether an expenditure is allowable, the Agent must raise this question with GDOE. If the Agent deems it necessary, the Agent may also request assistance from the Department in determining the allowability of any expenditure.

8. The Agent must determine the value of any in-kind property or services donated to or provided by GDOE that are used to meet cost sharing or matching requirements as required by 2 CFR § 200.306, and must maintain records sufficient to document the basis for those valuations.

9. The Agent must take steps to prevent the lapsing of funds available under the grants, including ensuring timely disbursement of funds through the use of methods and procedures for payment that minimize the time elapsing between the transfer of funds and disbursement as specified in GDOE's Treasury-State agreement, as required under the Cash Management Improvement Act and Treasury regulations at 31 CFR Part 205. For grant programs not included in GDOE's Treasury-State agreement, the Agent must meet the requirements in 2 CFR § 200.305(b). GDOE and the Agent must coordinate the timing of drawdowns and disbursements to ensure that payments to staff, vendors and providers are prompt and timely. Should the Agent assume drawdown responsibility, it must draw down funds in a timely manner so that funds under the grants are deposited to the separate bank account on the same day that funds are drawn from the account to liquidate obligations under the grants, to the extent feasible. The Agent must ensure that any interest earned on advances of grant funds is repaid annually, as required by 2 CFR § 200.305(b)(9).

10. The Agent must charge Department grants only for costs resulting from obligations that were properly made during the period of availability for the funds, including any carryover period. To ensure against the lapsing of Department funds, the Agent must liquidate obligations no later than 90 days after the end of the funding period or during any extension of that period authorized by the Department, in accordance with 2 CFR § 200.343(b).

11. The Agent may seek approval from the Department to charge allowable pre-award costs incurred by GDOE against grant awards to which these special conditions apply. The Agent must submit any request for pre-award costs to the Department in writing and may not reimburse any pre-award costs unless it receives written approval from the Department.

12. The Agent must establish and maintain a process for tracking and reporting time and effort spent by all employees whose salaries are paid under Department grants,

including distribution of time among different funding sources for split-time employees, timely and accurate adjustments to time and effort information in the payroll system, and proper allocation of salary costs among Department grants based on records that accurately and properly record the distribution of each employee's work on multiple cost objectives, the time the employee attends work, and, for those employees who work on a single cost objective, semiannual certifications. To carry out the responsibilities under this paragraph, the Agent must conduct an assessment of GDOE's internal controls over payroll operations to ensure that the payroll process is functioning as intended and calculations of gross earnings from all work performed during the pay period are correct; an assessment to determine that there are proper controls and procedures for identifying employees who are paid in whole or in part from Department grant awards; an assessment to determine whether employees are being compensated at their approved salaries/pay rates and from appropriate funding sources; and other tests to ensure that payroll earnings, deductions, and withholdings are made in accordance with the law and correspond to information contained in the employee master file. The Agent must carry out the responsibilities under this paragraph consistent with Federal requirements in 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart E.

13. The Agent must work with GDOE to ensure that the charging of direct and indirect costs against the respective Department grants is consistent with the applicable restricted and unrestricted indirect cost rates negotiated with, and approved by, the U.S. Department of Interior (GDOE's cognizant Federal agency), and that any indirect cost rate proposals or agreements comply with the applicable requirements of 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart E, and 34 CFR §§ 75.560-564 (discretionary grants) and 34 CFR §§ 76.560-569 (formula grants). In disbursing funds for allowable costs under the grants, the Agent must distinguish between direct and indirect costs and use accurate methods to allocate funds correctly between these two cost categories.

14. The Agent must establish contacts and working relationships with prospective vendors that can provide goods and services that GDOE needs under the grants. The Agent must have authority to enter into contracts with vendors on behalf of GDOE, and, in doing so, must comply with the provisions for procurement set forth in 2 CFR §§ 200.318-200.326.

15. Within 24 hours of the Agent's receipt of a vendor invoice, the Agent must provide a copy of the invoice to GDOE and ensure that the goods or services delivered are available for inspection and acceptance or rejection by GDOE staff requesting the goods or services. Consideration may be given for reasonable delays due to any time differences that may exist between GDOE and its vendors. The Agent must pay vendors for the delivered goods or services and must, to the extent possible, disburse funds to the vendors on the same day that funds are deposited into the separate bank account maintained by the Agent. The Agent must make payments by electronic funds transfer (EFT) or by paper draft if EFT is not available or possible for a particular vendor.

16. The Agent must manage all tangible personal property procured under the grants in

accordance with the requirements of 34 CFR §§ 200.313(a) and (c)-(e).

17. The Agent must maintain records that fully show the amount of funds under each grant, how GDOE uses the funds, the total cost of each project, the share of that cost provided from other sources, and other records to facilitate an effective audit, in accordance with 34 CFR § 75.730 (discretionary grants) and § 76.730 (formula grants). The Agent, acting on behalf of GDOE, must retain records in accordance with the provisions of 2 CFR § 200.333.

18. In general, the Agent must use fiscal control and fund accounting procedures that ensure proper disbursement of, and accounting for, Federal funds, in accordance with 34 CFR § 75.702 (discretionary grants) and § 76.702 (formula grants), and 2 CFR §§ 200.302, 200.303, and 200.305(b).

19. The Agent must maintain insurance as required under the terms of the contract. All transactions under the contract between GDOE and the Agent must be consistent with all applicable Federal requirements, including the Uniform Guidance at 2 CFR Part 200 and EDGAR at 34 CFR Part 75 or 76, as appropriate.

20. The Agent must comply generally with the requirements of 2 CFR § 200.327. Specifically, the Agent must produce quarterly reports concerning financial transactions of GDOE for submission to the Department, detailing for each grant award, including for each individual program for which GDOE is using Consolidated Grant funds: a) the date of receipt, and the amount, of each approved payment request; b) the date and amount of each draw down deposit; c) the date and amount of each payment or disbursement by the Agent; and d) any interest or other funds remaining in the account at the end of the quarter. These amounts must also be grouped by and comparable with the projections in the line item budgets described above in Attachment A, section 6, and must be reconciled with the Department's G5. This reconciliation must include drawdown dates, drawdown amounts and available balances, by award. These reports shall be due within 10 working days after the end of each quarter.

21. As GDOE implements and transfers to a new FMIS, the Agent must work with GDOE to assist in the training of employees and to provide transition assistance, including, but not limited to, transferring all necessary data from the Agent to the new FMIS, communicating information from the Agent to the contractor implementing the new FMIS, and providing feedback to GDOE and the Department on GDOE's implementation of the new FMIS.

22. Except as noted herein, the Agent must comply with all provisions of EDGAR and the Uniform Guidance applicable to the Department grants awarded to GDOE.