



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY SECRETARY

April 2, 2014

The Honorable John Kasich
Office of the Governor
Riffe Center, 30th Floor
77 South High Street
Columbus, OH 43215-6108

Dear Governor Kasich:

I am writing in regards to the amendment approval letter, issued by the Department on March 27, 2014, which approved Ohio to amend its Race to the Top grant project, including revisions to the project period to implement a portion of its plan.

I approve the following correction to that amendment approval letter:

- Correct an error in the State process defined in Appendix 1 of the Department's March 27, 2014 amendment approval letter. The State will require all local educational agencies (LEAs) participating in the No Cost Extension to submit a Year 5 work plan signed by the LEA Superintendent, the LEA board president and the teacher union president or equivalents in community schools on May 30, 2014. The amendment approval letter erroneously stated that LEAs will be required to submit these signatures with the LEA's "Intent to Participate in a No Cost Extension" form on April 16, 2014.

As stated in the March 27, 2014 letter, it is our understanding that this amendment and no-cost extension will not result in a change in your State's performance measures and outcomes, nor will they substantially change the scope and objectives of the work. The State must request and receive approval to move forward with no-cost extensions for any additional projects. This letter will be posted on the Department's website as a record of the amendment.

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If you need any assistance or have any questions regarding Race to the Top, please do not hesitate to contact Ohio's Race to the Top Program Officer, Megan Oberst, at 202-453-5673 or Megan.Oberst@ed.gov.

Sincerely,

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