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Leslie James
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Dear Leslie:

On October 7, 2009, the Nevada Department of Education (NDE) submitted a response to the monitoring report that resulted from a program review conducted by the Academic Improvement and Teacher Quality Programs office of the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Elementary and Secondary Education. The program office team reviewed your State's progress in meeting the highly qualified teacher provisions of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act and your State's administration of the ESEA Title II, Part A Improving Teacher Quality State Grants program. Thank you for sending this response to the monitoring report.

This response satisfactorily addresses the findings identified in the monitoring report. In particular, the NDE has submitted a plan and timeline for correcting errors in its State and local report cards. The Department will follow up with the NDE to ensure that progress is being made on these issues and that all agreed upon deadlines are met.

During the State agency for higher education (SAHE) portion of the monitoring review, the program team determined that there were no findings.

We commend your excellent work in responding to the concerns raised by the monitoring report. We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff to ensure that all teachers meet the highly qualified requirements and to help improve the delivery of ESEA Title II, Part A services in Nevada.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Elizabeth A. Witt".

Elizabeth A. Witt
Program Officer

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