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Vito DeSantis  
Executive Director  
Commission of the Blind and Visually Impaired  
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Dear Mr. DeSantis:

The Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) acknowledges your electronic submission via RSA's Web site of the fiscal year (FY) 2013 State Plan for the Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Services Program and Supplement for the Supported Employment (SE) Services Program in the form of a preprint of affirmative assurances and required attachments on behalf of the New Jersey Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired (CBVI) in compliance with Sections 101(a) and 625 of the *Rehabilitation Act of 1973*, as amended (the act). In addition, RSA acknowledges receipt of the assurance of compliance submitted in conjunction with the FY 2013 State Plan and the assurance to complete the activities necessary to fulfill the assurance under which the FY 2012 State Plan was approved.

The State Plan, in the form of a preprint of affirmative assurances and required attachments, and the assurances of compliance were reviewed to ensure conformity with statutory provisions of the act, implementing regulations and the administrative requirements of RSA. RSA approves the CBVI State Plan for the VR and SE programs based on the submitted preprint of affirmative assurances, all required attachments, the assurance to complete the activities necessary to fulfill the assurance under which the FY 2012 State Plan was approved, and the assurance of compliance submitted in conjunction with the FY 2013 State Plan.

In accordance with this approval of the State Plan and accompanying assurances, RSA is making available to New Jersey its FY 2013 Title I, Part B, and Title VI, Part B, grant awards. Please be advised that RSA will closely monitor CBVI's activities in support of the assurances it has made. As a component of that monitoring, RSA may request that CBVI provide periodic updates on the status of the activities necessary to fulfill the assurances under which the FY 2013 State Plan was approved.

The approved FY 2013 CBVI State Plan will be published by RSA and available to the general public on RSA's Web site by Monday, October 1, 2012. Individuals who wish to read the State Plan at that time may visit <http://rsa.ed.gov>, select the appropriate state, search for "VR State Plan" and select "View the VR State Plan."

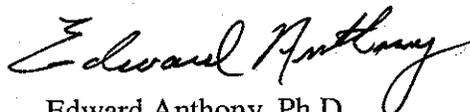
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If you have any questions about this letter, please contact your state liaison, Jim Doyle, at (202) 245-6630 or jim.doyle@ed.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Edward Anthony".

Edward Anthony, Ph.D.  
Deputy Commissioner

cc: Jim Doyle