

September 13, 2007

Brian Beeler, Superintendent
Acton School Department
700 Milton Mills Road
Acton, ME 04001

Dear Superintendent Beeler:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit Reorganization Plans that you submitted on behalf of Acton School Department, received on 8/23/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- Sanford School Department did not file a mutual request to reorganize with Acton School Department, nor did
- SAD 60 did not file a mutual request to reorganize with Acton School Department.

I would like to recommend continued exploration with Sanford School Department and SAD 60 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with this region to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barrier that may exist.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Louise M Regan, Superintendent
Airline CSD
202 Kidder Hill Road
Holden, ME 04429

Dear Superintendent Regan:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Airline CSD, received on 8/30/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposal does not meet the requirements for providing K-12 programming for all students.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Jay A. McIntire, Superintendent
Alna School Department
214 Gardiner Road
Wiscasset, ME 04578

Dear Superintendent McIntire:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Alna School Department, received on 8/29/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- There were no mutual Notices of Intent filed between the Alna School Department and other units in the region.

The Department of Education will convene a meeting in the region to discuss the long-term sustainability of the units within the region and will be inviting representatives from Alna, Westport, Wiscasset, Bath, and Union 47. A more detailed financial analysis will be presented and Department staff and facilitators will be available to assist in further exploration of reorganization options within the region. The Department is aware of the additional task you have of examining requirements of both LD910 and LD499.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Laura Sanborn, Chair
Alton School Department
78 Main Road
Milford, ME 04461

Dear Laura Sanborn:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Alton School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit listed in the Notice of Intent was not reciprocated by Old Town School Department.
- The proposed regional school unit listed in the Notice of Intent does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with it.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

cc: Alan Smith

September 13, 2007

Cornelia L. Brown, Superintendent
Augusta Public Schools
12 Gedney Street
Augusta, ME 04330

Dear Superintendent Brown:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit an Alternative Plan that you submitted on behalf of Augusta Public Schools, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500,
- The Notice of Intent was filed without a complete financial analysis, and

There is ample opportunity for continued discussion and collaboration within the region. The Department of Education will convene a meeting with representatives from the Augusta Public Schools, MSAD 11, and the member municipalities of Union 133 and Union 132 to explore possibilities of reorganization. A more detailed financial analysis will be available, and Department staff and your facilitators will be available to assist in further exploring reorganization options within the region.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

William T. Dobbins, Superintendent
Bancroft School Department
31A Houlton Road
Danforth, ME 04424

Dear Superintendent Dobbins:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Bancroft School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

I am recommending continued exploration among proposed Regional School Unit 17 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with the proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barriers that may exist.

I want to acknowledge the regional work you have done with Owen Maurais and am willing to include him on our roster of facilitators, or strongly encourage you to revisit accessing a facilitator from the Department roster of facilitators.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

William T. Dobbins, Superintendent
Bancroft School Department
31A Houlton Road
Danforth, ME 04424

Dear Superintendent Dobbins:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Bancroft School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit listed in the Notice of Intent does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500, and
- The proposed regional school unit does not provide K-12 programming for all students.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with it.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Heather J. Perry, Superintendent
Beaver Cove School Department
PO Box 100
Greenville, ME 04441

Dear Superintendent Perry:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Beaver Cove School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

- Continue the productive discussions you've had in the upper Kennebec Valley region to determine reorganization partners.

The Department stands ready to assist with further financial analysis and to work with you and your facilitator to help remove any barriers within the region.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Alan R. Smith, Superintendent
Bradley School Department
78 Main Road
Milford, ME 04461

Dear Superintendent Smith:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Bradley School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit listed in the Notice of Intent does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with it.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Gehrig T. Johnson, Superintendent
Bridgewater School Department
79 Blake St Ste 1 PO Box 1118
Presque Isle, ME 04769

Dear Superintendent Johnson:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Bridgewater School Department, received on 8/30/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice of Intent does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

I am recommending continued exploration within the region to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department will work collaboratively with districts and facilitators to overcome the barriers and come to solutions that are agreeable for everyone. We will provide detailed fiscal and data analysis to assist in solidifying long term relationships for reorganization partners.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Regina P. Campbell Ed.D., Superintendent
Caratunk School Department
PO Box 360
Anson, ME 04911-0360

Dear Superintendent Campbell:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Caratunk School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

- Continue the productive discussions you've had in the upper Kennebec Valley region to determine reorganization partners.

The Department stands ready to assist with further financial analysis and to work with you and your facilitator to help remove any barriers within the region.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Frank R. McElwain, Superintendent
Caribou School Department
628 Main Street
Caribou, ME 04736

Dear Superintendent McElwain:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit an Alternative Plan that you submitted on behalf of Caribou School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice of Intent does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

I am recommending continued exploration within the region to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department will work collaboratively with districts and facilitators to overcome the barriers and come to solutions that are agreeable for everyone. We will provide detailed fiscal and data analysis to assist in solidifying long term relationships for reorganization partners.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

George K. Joseph, Superintendent
Carrabassett Valley School Dep
26 Clyde Wells Road
Fayette, ME 04349

Dear Superintendent Joseph:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Carrabassett Valley School Dep, received on 8/17/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- No mutual Notices of Intent to reorganize with Carrabassett Valley School Department were filed.

I would like to request continued exploration with Carrabassett Valley School Department and Highland Plantation School Department to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. We recognize Carrabassett Valley is a high valuation community and the Department is committed to working with your proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barrier that may exist.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Michael G Lambert, Intrm Superintendent
Carroll Plt School Department
31 Winn Road
Lee, ME 04455

Dear Superintendent Lambert:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Carroll Plt School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

I am recommending continued exploration among proposed Regional School Unit 17 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with the proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barriers that may exist.

I want to acknowledge the regional work you have done with Owen Maurais and am willing to include him on our roster of facilitators, or strongly encourage you to revisit accessing a facilitator from the Department roster of facilitators.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Francis N. Boynton, Superintendent
Chelsea School Department
320 Griffin Road
Windsor, ME 04363

Dear Superintendent Boynton:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Chelsea School Department, received on 8/28/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500, and
- The proposed regional school unit does not provide K-12 programming for all students.

There is ample opportunity for continued discussion and collaboration within the region. The Department of Education will convene a meeting with representatives from the Augusta Public Schools, MSAD 11, and the member municipalities of Union 133 and Union 132 to explore possibilities of reorganization. A more detailed financial analysis will be available, and Department staff and your facilitators will be available to assist in further exploring reorganization options within the region.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Elaine B. Miller, Superintendent
China School Department
20 Dean Street
Winslow, ME 04901

Dear Superintendent Miller:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of China School Department, received on 8/20/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

- Please continue discussions in the region to determine reorganization partners.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with it.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Jerry T. White, Superintendent
Dennistown Plt School Department
PO Box 449
North Haven, ME 04853

Dear Superintendent White:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Dennistown Plt School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

- Continue the productive discussions you've had in the upper Kennebec Valley region to determine reorganization partners.

The Department stands ready to assist with further financial analysis and to work with you and your facilitator to help remove any barriers within the region.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Michael G Lambert, Intrm Superintendent
Drew Plt School Department
31 Winn Road
Lee, ME 04455

Dear Superintendent Lambert:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Drew Plt School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

I am recommending continued exploration among proposed Regional School Unit 17 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with the proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barriers that may exist.

I want to acknowledge the regional work you have done with Owen Maurais and am willing to include him on our roster of facilitators, or strongly encourage you to revisit accessing a facilitator from the Department roster of facilitators.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Sara C. Alberts, Superintendent
East Millinocket School Department
45 North St Ste 2
East Millinocket, ME 04430

Dear Superintendent Alberts:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of East Millinocket School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

I am recommending continued exploration among proposed Regional School Unit 17 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with the proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barriers that may exist.

I want to acknowledge the regional work you have done with Owen Maurais and am willing to include him on our roster of facilitators, or strongly encourage you to revisit accessing a facilitator from the Department roster of facilitators.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

William T. Dobbins, Superintendent
East Range CSD
31A Houlton Road
Danforth, ME 04424

Dear Superintendent Dobbins:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of East Range CSD, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum 1,200 resident student enrollment.

Please continue discussions with the proposed regional school unit listed on your other Notice of Intent to achieve compliance.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with it.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Franklin D Keenan, Superintendent
Easton School Department
33 Bangor Rd PO Box 126
Easton, ME 04740

Dear Superintendent Keenan:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Easton School Department, received on 8/28/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice of Intent does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

I am recommending continued exploration within the region to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department will work collaboratively with districts and facilitators to overcome the barriers and come to solutions that are agreeable for everyone. We will provide detailed fiscal and data analysis to assist in solidifying long term relationships for reorganization partners.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Douglas K. Smith, Superintendent
Glenburn School Department
983 Hudson Road
Glenburn, ME 04401

Dear Superintendent Smith:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Glenburn School Department, received on 8/30/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed,
- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of 2,500, or
- There is ample opportunity for continued discussion and collaboration within the region.

The Department of Education will convene a meeting in the region to discuss the long-term sustainability of the units within the region and will be inviting representatives from the Bangor School Department and the Glenburn School Departments. A more detailed financial analysis will be presented and Department staff and facilitators will be available to assist in further exploring reorganization options within the region.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with it.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Gene MacDonald, Superintendent
Glenwood Plt School Dept.
200 Hogan Road
Bangor, ME 04401

Dear Superintendent MacDonald:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Glenwood Plt School Dept., received on 8/29/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

I am recommending continued exploration among proposed Regional School Unit 17 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with the proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barriers that may exist.

I want to acknowledge the regional work you have done with Owen Maurais and am willing to include him on our roster of facilitators, or strongly encourage you to revisit accessing a facilitator from the Department roster of facilitators.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Bonnie Sullivan, Chair
Greenbush School Department
78 Main Road
Milford, ME 04461

Dear Bonnie Sullivan:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Greenbush School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

I am recommending continued exploration among proposed Regional School Unit 17 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with the proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barriers that may exist.

I want to acknowledge the regional work you have done with Owen Maurais and am willing to include him on our roster of facilitators, or strongly encourage you to revisit accessing a facilitator from the Department roster of facilitators.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

cc: Alan Smith

September 13, 2007

Heather J Perry, Superintendent
Greenville School Department
PO Box 100
Greenville, ME 04441

Dear Superintendent Perry:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Greenville School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

- Continue the productive discussions you've had in the upper Kennebec Valley region to determine reorganization partners.

The Department stands ready to assist with further financial analysis and to work with you and your facilitator to help remove any barriers within the region.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Patricia Dunphy, Chair
Highland Plt School Department
PO Box 360
Anson, ME 04911-0360

Dear Patricia Dunphy:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Highland Plt School Department, received on 8/21/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

- Continue the productive discussions you've had in the upper Kennebec Valley region to determine reorganization partners, or
- Continue discussions you've had with SAD 58, SAD 9, and Coplin Plantation to determine reorganization partners.

The Department stands ready to assist with further financial analysis and to work with you to help remove any barriers within the region.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

cc: Regina Campbell

September 13, 2007

Francis N. Boynton, Superintendent
Jefferson School Department
320 Griffin Road
Windsor, ME 04363

Dear Superintendent Boynton:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Jefferson School Department, received on 8/28/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500, and
- The proposed regional school unit does not provide K-12 programming for all students.

There is ample opportunity for continued discussion and collaboration within the region. The Department of Education will convene a meeting with representatives from the Augusta Public Schools, MSAD 11, and the member municipalities of Union 133 and Union 132 to explore possibilities of reorganization. A more detailed financial analysis will be available, and Department staff and your facilitators will be available to assist in further exploring reorganization options within the region.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Heather J. Perry, Superintendent
Kingsbury Plt School Department
PO Box 100
Greenville, ME 04441

Dear Superintendent Perry:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Kingsbury Plt School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

- Continue the productive discussions you've had in the upper Kennebec Valley region to determine reorganization partners.

The Department stands ready to assist with further financial analysis and to work with you and your facilitator to help remove any barriers within the region.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Larry B. Littlefield, Superintendent
Kittery School Department
200 Rogers Road
Kittery, ME 03904-1458

Dear Superintendent Littlefield:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Kittery School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- No mutual Notices of Intent were filed with the Kittery School Department.

I would like to recommend continued exploration with York School Department and MSAD 35 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with this region to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barrier that may exist.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Michael G Lambert, Intrm Superintendent
Lakeville School Department
31 Winn Road
Lee, ME 04455

Dear Superintendent Lambert:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Lakeville School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

I am recommending continued exploration among proposed Regional School Unit 17 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with the proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barriers that may exist.

I want to acknowledge the regional work you have done with Owen Maurais and am willing to include him on our roster of facilitators, or strongly encourage you to revisit accessing a facilitator from the Department roster of facilitators.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Shannon L. Welsh, Ed.D, Superintendent
Lisbon School Department
19 Gartley Street
Lisbon, ME 04250

Dear Superintendent Welsh:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Lisbon School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

If you intend to pursue this partnership, Union 44 must re-submit a Notice of Intent stating this.

I wish you continued success as you proceed with your work on your Reorganization Plan, and invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with that next step.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Susan E. Hodgdon, Superintendent
Litchfield School Department
971 Gardiner Road
Wales, ME 04280

Dear Superintendent Hodgdon:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Litchfield School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit listed in the Notice of Intent does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of 2,500, and
- You have not met the parameters for due diligence.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

- Please continue discussions within the region to explore options for reorganization partners, and
- Please conduct fiscal analysis with districts within the region.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Frederick Woodman, Jr., Superintendent
Lowell School Department
28 School Street
Lincoln, ME 04457

Dear Superintendent Woodman:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Lowell School Department, received on 8/29/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

I am recommending continued exploration among proposed Regional School Unit 17 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with the proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barriers that may exist.

I want to acknowledge the regional work you have done with Owen Maurais and am willing to include him on our roster of facilitators, or strongly encourage you to revisit accessing a facilitator from the Department roster of facilitators.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Michael G Lambert, Intrm Superintendent
Macwahoc Plt School Dept
31 Winn Road
Lee, ME 04455

Dear Superintendent Lambert:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Macwahoc Plt School Dept, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

I am recommending continued exploration among proposed Regional School Unit 17 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with the proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barriers that may exist.

I want to acknowledge the regional work you have done with Owen Maurais and am willing to include him on our roster of facilitators, or strongly encourage you to revisit accessing a facilitator from the Department roster of facilitators.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Scott K. Porter, Superintendent
Machias School Department
RR 1 Box 12A
Machias, ME 04654

Dear Superintendent Porter:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Machias School Department, received on 8/27/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

I wish you continued success as you proceed with your work on your Reorganization Plan, and invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with that next step.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

James S. Boothby, Superintendent
Mariaville School Department
443 Main Street
Ellsworth, ME 04605

Dear Superintendent Boothby:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Mariaville School Department, received on 8/24/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- Proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of 1,200.
- Proposed regional school unit does not provide K-12 programming for all students.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with it.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

David A. Walker, Superintendent
Medford School Department
156 Oak Street
Old Town, ME 04468

Dear Superintendent Walker:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Medford School Department, received on 8/28/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

I am recommending continued exploration among proposed Regional School Unit 17 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with the proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barriers that may exist.

I want to acknowledge the regional work you have done with Owen Maurais and am willing to include him on our roster of facilitators, or strongly encourage you to revisit accessing a facilitator from the Department roster of facilitators.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Sara C. Alberts, Superintendent
Medway School Department
45 North St Ste 2
East Millinocket, ME 04430

Dear Superintendent Alberts:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Medway School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

I am recommending continued exploration among proposed Regional School Unit 17 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with the proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barriers that may exist.

I want to acknowledge the regional work you have done with Owen Maurais and am willing to include him on our roster of facilitators, or strongly encourage you to revisit accessing a facilitator from the Department roster of facilitators.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Scott Hayden, Chair
Milford School Department
78 Main Road
Milford, ME 04461

Dear Mr. Hayden:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Milford School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit includes a municipality from an existing SAD. There is currently no provision in the law to dissolve an SAD.

I wish you continued success as you proceed with your work on your Reorganization Plan, and invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with that next step.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

cc: Alan Smith

September 13, 2007

Sara C. Alberts, Superintendent
Millinocket School Department
45 North St Ste 2
East Millinocket, ME 04430

Dear Superintendent Alberts:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Millinocket School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

I am recommending continued exploration among proposed Regional School Unit 17 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with the proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barriers that may exist.

I want to acknowledge the regional work you have done with Owen Maurais and am willing to include him on our roster of facilitators, or strongly encourage you to revisit accessing a facilitator from the Department roster of facilitators.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Gehrig T Johnson, Superintendent
MSAD 01
PO Box 1118
Presque Isle, ME 04769

Dear Superintendent Johnson:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit an Alternative Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 01, received on 8/30/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice of Intent does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

I am recommending continued exploration within the region to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department will work collaboratively with districts and facilitators to overcome the barriers and come to solutions that are agreeable for everyone. We will provide detailed fiscal and data analysis to assist in solidifying long term relationships for reorganization partners.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Paul Knowles, Superintendent
MSAD 11
150 Highland Avenue
Gardiner, ME 04345

Dear Superintendent Knowles:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 11, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500, and
- The Notice of Intent was filed without a complete financial analysis.

There is ample opportunity for continued discussion and collaboration within the region. The Department of Education will convene a meeting with representatives from the Augusta Public Schools, MSAD 11, and the member municipalities of Union 133 and Union 132 to explore possibilities of reorganization. A more detailed financial analysis will be available, and Department staff and your facilitators will be available to assist in further exploring reorganization options within the region.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Richard H. Curtis, Superintendent
MSAD 12
PO Box 239
Jackman, ME 04945

Dear Superintendent Curtis:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 12, received on 8/28/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

- Continue the productive discussions you've had in the upper Kennebec Valley region to determine reorganization partners.

The Department stands ready to assist with further financial analysis and to work with you and your facilitator to help remove any barriers within the region.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

N. Kenneth Smith, Superintendent
MSAD 13
PO Box 649
Bingham, ME 04920

Dear Superintendent Smith:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 13, received on 7/25/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

- Continue the productive discussions you've had in the upper Kennebec Valley region to determine reorganization partners.

The Department stands ready to assist with further financial analysis and to work with you and your facilitator to help remove any barriers within the region.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

William T. Dobbins, Superintendent
MSAD 14
31A Houlton Road
Danforth, ME 04424

Dear Superintendent Dobbins:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 14, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposal does not meet the requirements for providing K-12 programming for all students.
- The proposal does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 1,200, with exception for geographic isolation.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with it.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Victoria Burns, Superintendent
MSAD 15
14 Shaker Road
Gray, ME 04039

Dear Superintendent Burns:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit an Alternative Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 15, received on 8/27/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposal does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

- Please continue discussions within the region to determine reorganization partners.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Marc Gendron, Superintendent
MSAD 20
28 High School Drive Suite B
Fort Fairfield, ME 04742

Dear Superintendent Gendron:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 20, received on 8/30/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice of Intent does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

I am recommending continued exploration within the region to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department will work collaboratively with districts and facilitators to overcome the barriers and come to solutions that are agreeable for everyone. We will provide detailed fiscal and data analysis to assist in solidifying long term relationships for reorganization partners.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Stephen Fitzpatrick, Superintendent
MSAD 29
PO Box 190
Houlton, ME 04730

Dear Superintendent Fitzpatrick:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit an Alternative Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 29, received on 8/27/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposal does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Michael G Lambert, Intrm Superintendent
MSAD 30
31 Winn Road
Lee, ME 04455

Dear Superintendent Lambert:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 30, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

I am recommending continued exploration among proposed Regional School Unit 17 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with the proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barriers that may exist.

I want to acknowledge the regional work you have done with Owen Maurais and am willing to include him on our roster of facilitators, or strongly encourage you to revisit accessing a facilitator from the Department roster of facilitators.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Jerry T. White, Superintendent
MSAD 31
23 Cross Street
Howland, ME 04448

Dear Superintendent White:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 31, received on 8/31/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

I am recommending continued exploration among proposed Regional School Unit 17 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with the proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barriers that may exist.

I want to acknowledge the regional work you have done with Owen Maurais and am willing to include him on our roster of facilitators, or strongly encourage you to revisit accessing a facilitator from the Department roster of facilitators.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Gehrig T. Johnson, Superintendent
MSAD 32
PO Box 289
Ashland, ME 04732

Dear Superintendent Johnson:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit an Alternative Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 32, received on 8/30/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice of Intent does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

I am recommending continued exploration within the region to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department will work collaboratively with districts and facilitators to overcome the barriers and come to solutions that are agreeable for everyone. We will provide detailed fiscal and data analysis to assist in solidifying long term relationships for reorganization partners.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Pamela J. Carnahan, Superintendent
MSAD 40
44 School Street
Warren, ME 04864

Dear Superintendent Carnahan:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 40, received on 8/29/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

I am recommending continued exploration among MSAD 5, MSAD 40 and MSAD 50 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnership for the region. The Department, in collaboration with your facilitators, will convene a meeting with all parties to further analyze the potential options.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Roger S. Shaw, Superintendent
MSAD 42
PO Box 1006
Mars Hill, ME 04758

Dear Superintendent Shaw:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 42, received on 8/29/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice of Intent does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

I am recommending continued exploration within the region to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department will work collaboratively with districts and facilitators to overcome the barriers and come to solutions that are agreeable for everyone. We will provide detailed fiscal and data analysis to assist in solidifying long term relationships for reorganization partners.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

David Lyon, Intrm Superintendent
MSAD 45
33 School Street
Washburn, ME 04786

Dear Superintendent Lyon:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 45, received on 8/29/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice of Intent does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

I am recommending continued exploration within the region to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department will work collaboratively with districts and facilitators to overcome the barriers and come to solutions that are agreeable for everyone. We will provide detailed fiscal and data analysis to assist in solidifying long term relationships for reorganization partners.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Kevin T. Jordan, Superintendent
MSAD 46
10 Spring Street
Dexter, ME 04930

Dear Superintendent Jordan:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 46, received on 8/30/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

I encourage you to keep your initial conversations region wide while deciding on your final partnerships, this will help ensure all district within the region meet final compliance with the law.

I wish you continued success as you proceed with your work on your Reorganization Plan, and invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with that next step.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Kevin T. Jordan, Superintendent
MSAD 46
10 Spring Street
Dexter, ME 04930

Dear Superintendent Jordan:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 46, received on 8/30/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposal does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

I encourage you to keep your initial conversations region wide while deciding on your final partnerships, this will help ensure all district within the region meet final compliance with the law.

I wish you continued success as you proceed with your work on your Reorganization Plan, and invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with that next step.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Sylvia T. Pease, Superintendent
MSAD 55
137 South Hiram Road
Hiram, ME 04041

Dear Superintendent Pease:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit an Alternative Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 55, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposal does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

I am recommending continued exploration among MSAD 55, MSAD 61 and MSAD 72 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with your proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barrier that may exist.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. I invite you to contact my office if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Frank A. Gorham, Superintendent
MSAD 61
900 Portland Road
Bridgton, ME 04009

Dear Superintendent Gorham:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Alternative Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 61, received on 8/24/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposal does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

I am recommending continued exploration among MSAD 55, MSAD 61 and MSAD 72 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with your proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barrier that may exist.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. I invite you to contact my office if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Louise M. Regan, Superintendent
MSAD 63
202 Kidder Hill Road
Holden, ME 04429

Dear Superintendent Regan:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 63, received on 8/29/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposal does not meet the requirements for providing K-12 programming for all students.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Louise M. Regan, Superintendent
MSAD 63
202 Kidder Hill Road
Holden, ME 04429

Dear Superintendent Regan:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit an Alternative Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 63, received on 8/29/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposal does not meet the requirements for a higher performing, highly efficient district.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Michael F. Marcinkus, Superintendent
MSAD 67
PO Box 250
Lincoln, ME 04457

Dear Superintendent Marcinkus:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 67, received on 8/31/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

I am recommending continued exploration among proposed Regional School Unit 17 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with the proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barriers that may exist.

I want to acknowledge the regional work you have done with Owen Maurais and am willing to include him on our roster of facilitators, or strongly encourage you to revisit accessing a facilitator from the Department roster of facilitators.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Gary L. MacDonald, Superintendent
MSAD 72
124 Portland Street
Fryeburg, ME 04037

Dear Superintendent MacDonald:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Alternative Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 72, received on 8/30/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposal does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

I am recommending continued exploration among MSAD 55, MSAD 61 and MSAD 72 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with your proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barrier that may exist.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. I invite you to contact my office if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Regina P. Campbell Ed.D., Superintendent
MSAD 74
PO Box 360
Anson, ME 04911-0360

Dear Superintendent Campbell:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 74, received on 8/31/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

- Continue the productive discussions you've had in the upper Kennebec Valley region to determine reorganization partners.

The Department stands ready to assist with further financial analysis and to work with you and your facilitator to help remove any barriers within the region.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

David J. Lyon, Superintendent
Nashville Plt School Department
PO Box 504
Washburn, ME 04786

Dear Superintendent Lyon:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Alternative Plan that you submitted on behalf of Nashville Plt School Department, received on 8/27/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice of Intent does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

I am recommending continued exploration within the region to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department will work collaboratively with districts and facilitators to overcome the barriers and come to solutions that are agreeable for everyone. We will provide detailed fiscal and data analysis to assist in solidifying long term relationships for reorganization partners.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Susan E. Hodgdon, Superintendent
Oak Hill CSD
971 Gardiner Road
Wales, ME 04280

Dear Superintendent Hodgdon:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Oak Hill CSD, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit listed in the Notice of Intent does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of 2,500, and
- You have not met the parameters for due diligence.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

- Please continue discussions within the region to explore options for reorganization partners, and
- Please conduct fiscal analysis with districts within the region.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

James S. Boothby, Superintendent
Otis School Department
443 Main Street
Ellsworth, ME 04605

Dear Superintendent Boothby:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Otis School Department, received on 8/24/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- Proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of 1,200.
- Proposed regional school unit does not provide K-12 programming for all students.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Gregory G. Potter, Superintendent
Palermo School Department
69 Augusta Road
Whitefield, ME 04353

Dear Superintendent Potter:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Palermo School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500, and
- The proposed regional school unit does not provide K-12 programming for all students.

There is ample opportunity for continued discussion and collaboration within the region. The Department of Education will convene a meeting with representatives from the Augusta Public Schools, MSAD 11, and the member municipalities of Union 133 and Union 132 to explore possibilities of reorganization. A more detailed financial analysis will be available, and Department staff and your facilitators will be available to assist in further exploring reorganization options within the region.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Arthur H Wittine, Superintendent
Penobscot School Department
PO Box 630
Blue Hill, ME 04614

Dear Superintendent Wittine:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Penobscot School Department, received on 8/16/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit in the Notice of Intent was not reciprocated by the Bucksport School Department.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Martha A. Witham, Superintendent
Pleasant Ridge Plt School Dept
44 Witham Lane
Augusta, ME 04330

Dear Superintendent Witham:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Pleasant Ridge Plt School Dept, received on 8/24/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

- Continue the productive discussions you've had in the upper Kennebec Valley region to determine reorganization partners.

The Department stands ready to assist with further financial analysis and to work with you and your facilitator to help remove any barriers within the region.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Dennis Duquette, Superintendent
Poland School Department
1146 Maine Street
Poland, ME 04274

Dear Superintendent Duquette:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Poland School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Sandra S. Caldwell Denniston, Superintendent
Raymond School Department
434 Webb's Mills Road
Raymond, ME 04071

Dear Superintendent Caldwell:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Raymond School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Michael G Lambert, Intrm Superintendent
Reed Plt School Department
31 Winn Road
Lee, ME 04455

Dear Superintendent Lambert:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Reed Plt School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

I am recommending continued exploration among proposed Regional School Unit 17 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with the proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barriers that may exist.

I want to acknowledge the regional work you have done with Owen Maurais and am willing to include him on our roster of facilitators, or strongly encourage you to revisit accessing a facilitator from the Department roster of facilitators.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Susan E. Hodgdon, Superintendent
Sabattus School Department
971 Gardiner Road
Wales, ME 04280

Dear Superintendent Hodgdon:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Sabattus School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit listed in the Notice of Intent does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of 2,500, and
- You have not met the parameters for due diligence.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

- Please continue discussions within the region to explore options for reorganization partners, and
- Please conduct fiscal analysis with districts within the region.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Frederick Woodman, Jr., Superintendent
Seboeis Plt. School Department
28 School Street
Lincoln, ME 04457

Dear Superintendent Woodman:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Seboeis Plt. School Department, received on 8/29/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

I am recommending continued exploration among proposed Regional School Unit 17 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with the proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barriers that may exist.

I want to acknowledge the regional work you have done with Owen Maurais and am willing to include him on our roster of facilitators, or strongly encourage you to revisit accessing a facilitator from the Department roster of facilitators.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Heather J. Perry, Superintendent
Shirley School Department
PO Box 100
Greenville, ME 04441

Dear Superintendent Perry:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Shirley School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

- Continue the productive discussions you've had in the upper Kennebec Valley region to determine reorganization partners.

The Department stands ready to assist with further financial analysis and to work with you and your facilitator to help remove any barriers within the region.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Gregory G. Potter, Superintendent
Somerville School Department
69 Augusta Road
Whitefield, ME 04353

Dear Superintendent Potter:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Somerville School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500, and
- The proposed regional school unit does not provide K-12 programming for all students.

There is ample opportunity for continued discussion and collaboration within the region. The Department of Education will convene a meeting with representatives from the Augusta Public Schools, MSAD 11, and the member municipalities of Union 133 and Union 132 to explore possibilities of reorganization. A more detailed financial analysis will be available, and Department staff and your facilitators will be available to assist in further exploring reorganization options within the region.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with it.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Larry Pinkham, Chair
Steuben School Department
165 US Route 1, Suite 1
Gouldsboro, ME 04607

Dear Mr. Pinkham:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Steuben School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assist you with it.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

cc: William Webster

September 13, 2007

Regina P. Campbell Ed.D., Superintendent
The Forks Plt School Dept
PO Box 360
Anson, ME 04911-0360

Dear Superintendent Campbell:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of The Forks Plt School Dept, received on 8/31/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

- Continue the productive discussions you've had in the upper Kennebec Valley region to determine reorganization partners.

The Department stands ready to assist with further financial analysis and to work with you and your facilitator to help remove any barriers within the region.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Elaine B. Miller, Superintendent
Vassalboro School Department
20 Dean Street
Winslow, ME 04901

Dear Superintendent Miller:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Vassalboro School Department, received on 8/27/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

- Please continue discussions in the region to determine reorganization partners.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with it.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Kelly R. Clenchy
Veazie School Department
18 Goodridge Drive
Orono, ME 04473

Dear Kelly Clenchy:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Veazie School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposal does not meet the requirements for providing K-12 programming for all students.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Kelly R. Clenchy
Veazie School Department
18 Goodridge Drive
Orono, ME 04473

Dear Kelly Clenchy:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Veazie School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Susan E. Hodgdon, Superintendent
Wales School Department
971 Gardiner Road
Wales, ME 04280

Dear Superintendent Hodgdon:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Wales School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit listed in the Notice of Intent does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of 2,500, and
- You have not met the parameters for due diligence.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

- Please continue discussions within the region to explore options for reorganization partners, and
- Please conduct fiscal analysis with districts within the region.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Richard H. Curtis, Superintendent
West Forks Plt School Department
PO Box 239
Jackman, ME 04945

Dear Superintendent Curtis:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of West Forks Plt School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

- Continue the productive discussions you've had in the upper Kennebec Valley region to determine reorganization partners.

The Department stands ready to assist with further financial analysis and to work with you and your facilitator to help remove any barriers within the region.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Jay A. McIntire, Superintendent
Westport Island School Department
214 Gardiner Road
Wiscasset, ME 04578

Dear Superintendent McIntire:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Westport Island School Department, received on 8/29/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- There were no mutual Notices of Intent filed between the Westport Island School Department and other units in the region.

The Department of Education will convene a meeting in the region to discuss the long-term sustainability of the units within the region and will be inviting representatives from Alna, Westport, Wiscasset, Bath, and Union 47. A more detailed financial analysis will be presented and Department staff and facilitators will be available to assist in further exploration of reorganization options within the region. The Department is aware of the additional task you have of examining requirements of both LD910 and LD499.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Francis N. Boynton, Superintendent
Whitefield School Department
320 Griffin Road
Windsor, ME 04363

Dear Superintendent Boynton:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Whitefield School Department, received on 8/28/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500, and
- The proposed regional school unit does not provide K-12 programming for all students.

There is ample opportunity for continued discussion and collaboration within the region. The Department of Education will convene a meeting with representatives from the Augusta Public Schools, MSAD 11, and the member municipalities of Union 133 and Union 132 to explore possibilities of reorganization. A more detailed financial analysis will be available, and Department staff and your facilitators will be available to assist in further exploring reorganization options within the region.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Gregory G. Potter, Superintendent
Windsor School Department
69 Augusta Road
Whitefield, ME 04353

Dear Superintendent Potter:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Windsor School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500, and
- The proposed regional school unit does not provide K-12 programming for all students.

There is ample opportunity for continued discussion and collaboration within the region. The Department of Education will convene a meeting with representatives from the Augusta Public Schools, MSAD 11, and the member municipalities of Union 133 and Union 132 to explore possibilities of reorganization. A more detailed financial analysis will be available, and Department staff and your facilitators will be available to assist in further exploring reorganization options within the region.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Elaine B. Miller, Superintendent
Winslow Schools
20 Dean Street
Winslow, ME 04901

Dear Superintendent Miller:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Winslow Schools, received on 8/20/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

- Please continue discussions in the region to determine reorganization partners.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with it.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Jay A. McIntire, Superintendent
Wiscasset School Department
214 Gardiner Road
Wiscasset, ME 04578

Dear Superintendent McIntire:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Wiscasset School Department, received on 8/29/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- There were no mutual Notices of Intent filed between the Wiscasset School Department and other units in the region.

The Department of Education will convene a meeting in the region to discuss the long-term sustainability of the units within the region and will be inviting representatives from Alna, Westport, Wiscasset, Bath, and Union 47. A more detailed financial analysis will be presented and Department staff and facilitators will be available to assist in further exploration of reorganization options within the region. The Department is aware of the additional task you have of examining requirements of both LD910 and LD499.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Sara C. Alberts, Superintendent
Woodville School Department
45 North St Ste 2
East Millinocket, ME 04430

Dear Superintendent Alberts:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Woodville School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

I am recommending continued exploration among proposed Regional School Unit 17 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with the proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barriers that may exist.

I want to acknowledge the regional work you have done with Owen Maurais and am willing to include him on our roster of facilitators, or strongly encourage you to revisit accessing a facilitator from the Department roster of facilitators.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Dennis Duquette, Superintendent
Minot School Department
1146 Maine Street
Poland, ME 04274

Dear Superintendent Duquette:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Minot School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Dennis Duquette, Superintendent
Mechanic Falls School Department
1146 Maine Street
Poland, ME 04274

Dear Superintendent Duquette:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Mechanic Falls School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

William T. Dobbins, Superintendent
Orient School Department
31A Houlton Road
Danforth, ME 04424

Dear Superintendent Dobbins:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit an Alternate Plan that you submitted on behalf of Orient School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

William T. Dobbins, Superintendent
Vanceboro School Department
31A Houlton Road
Danforth, ME 04424

Dear Superintendent Dobbins:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Vanceboro School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500, and
- The proposed regional school unit does not provide K-12 programming for all students.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

William T. Dobbins, Superintendent
MSAD 14
31A Houlton Road
Danforth, ME 04424

Dear Superintendent Dobbins:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 14, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500, and
- The proposed regional school unit does not provide K-12 programming for all students.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Alan R. Smith
Bradley School Department
78 Main Road
Milford, ME 04461

Dear Alan Smith:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Bradley School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

James S. Boothby, Superintendent
Lamoine School Department
443 Main Street
Ellsworth, ME 04605

Dear Superintendent Boothby:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Lamoine School Department, received on 8/24/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

James S. Boothby, Superintendent
Lamoine School Department
443 Main Street
Ellsworth, ME 04605

Dear Superintendent Boothby:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Lamoine School Department, received on 8/24/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

James S. Boothby, Superintendent
Hancock School Department
443 Main Street
Ellsworth, ME 04605

Dear Superintendent Boothby:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Hancock School Department, received on 8/24/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

I wish you continued success as you proceed with your work on your Reorganization Plan, and invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with that next step.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

James S. Boothby, Superintendent
Mariaville School Department
443 Main Street
Ellsworth, ME 04605

Dear Superintendent Boothby:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Mariaville School Department, received on 8/24/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

I wish you continued success as you proceed with your work on your Reorganization Plan, and invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with that next step.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Michael A. Gallagher, Superintendent
MSAD 53
293 Hartland Avenue
Pittsfield, ME 04967

Dear Superintendent Gallagher:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 53, received on 8/29/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

I encourage you to keep your initial conversations region wide while deciding on your final partnerships, this will help ensure all district within the region meet final compliance with the law.

I wish you continued success as you proceed with your work on your Reorganization Plan, and invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with that next step.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Michael J. Buckley, Superintendent
MSAD 19
44 South Street
Lubec, ME 04652

Dear Superintendent Buckley:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 19, received on 8/24/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

I wish you continued success as you proceed with your work on your Reorganization Plan, and invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with that next step.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

cc: Russell Wright

September 13, 2007

Sandra B. Bernstein, Superintendent
MSAD 10
PO Box 7
Wallagrass, ME 04781

Dear Superintendent Bernstein:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 10, received on 8/28/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

I wish you continued success as you proceed with your work on your Reorganization Plan, and invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with that next step.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Robert W McDaniel, Superintendent
MSAD 70
175 Hodgdon Mills Road
Hodgdon, ME 04730

Dear Superintendent McDaniel:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 70, received on 8/20/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

I wish you continued success as you proceed with your work on your Reorganization Plan, and invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with that next step.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 13, 2007

Kelly R. Clenchy, Superintendent
Orono School Department
18 Goodridge Drive
Orono, ME 04473

Dear Superintendent Clenchy:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Orono School Department, received on 8/30/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

I wish you continued success as you proceed with your work on your Reorganization Plan, and invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with that next step.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 18, 2007

Kelly R. Clenchy, Superintendent
Veazie School Department
18 Goodridge Drive
Orono, ME 04473

Dear Superintendent Clenchy:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Veazie School Department, received on 9/11/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

I wish you continued success as you proceed with your work on your Reorganization Plan, and invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with that next step.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 18, 2007

Sara C. Alberts, Superintendent
Woodville School Department
45 North St Ste 2
East Millinocket, ME 04430

Dear Superintendent Alberts:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Woodville School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

I am recommending continued exploration among proposed Regional School Unit 17 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with the proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barriers that may exist.

I want to acknowledge the regional work you have done with Owen Maurais and am willing to include him on our roster of facilitators, or strongly encourage you to revisit accessing a facilitator from the Department roster of facilitators.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 18, 2007

Sara C. Alberts, Superintendent
Millinocket School Department
45 North St Ste 2
East Millinocket, ME 04430

Dear Superintendent Alberts:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Millinocket School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

I am recommending continued exploration among proposed Regional School Unit 17 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with the proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barriers that may exist.

I want to acknowledge the regional work you have done with Owen Maurais and am willing to include him on our roster of facilitators, or strongly encourage you to revisit accessing a facilitator from the Department roster of facilitators.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 18, 2007

Sara C. Alberts, Superintendent
East Millinocket School Department
45 North St Ste 2
East Millinocket, ME 04430

Dear Superintendent Alberts:

Thank you for the Notices of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of East Millinocket School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that are attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended actions as described in your Notices of Intent and have determined that they do not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

I am recommending continued exploration among proposed Regional School Unit 17 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with the proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barriers that may exist.

I want to acknowledge the regional work you have done with Owen Maurais and am willing to include him on our roster of facilitators, or strongly encourage you to revisit accessing a facilitator from the Department roster of facilitators.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 18, 2007

Sara C. Alberts, Superintendent
Medway School Department
45 North St Ste 2
East Millinocket, ME 04430

Dear Superintendent Alberts:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Medway School Department, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

I am recommending continued exploration among proposed Regional School Unit 17 to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department is committed to working with the proposed RSU to mitigate, through proposed legislation, any fiscal barriers that may exist.

I want to acknowledge the regional work you have done with Owen Maurais and am willing to include him on our roster of facilitators, or strongly encourage you to revisit accessing a facilitator from the Department roster of facilitators.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 18, 2007

Elaine B. Miller, Superintendent
China School Department
20 Dean Street
Winslow, ME 04901

Dear Superintendent Miller:

Thank you for the amended Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of China School Department, received on 9/13/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

Please take the following action(s) to achieve compliance:

- Please continue discussions in the region and encourage reorganization partners to file Notice of Intent listing new partnership.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with it.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 18, 2007

Marc Gendron, Superintendent
MSAD 20
28 High School Drive Suite B
Fort Fairfield, ME 04742

Dear Superintendent Gendron:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 20, received on 8/30/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

I am recommending continued exploration within the region to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department will work collaboratively with districts and facilitators to overcome the barriers and come to solutions that are agreeable for everyone. We will provide detailed fiscal and data analysis to assist in solidifying long term relationships for reorganization partners.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 19, 2007

David Lyon, Intrm Superintendent
MSAD 45
33 School Street
Washburn, ME 04786

Dear Superintendent Lyon:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 45, received on 8/29/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

I am recommending continued exploration within the region to achieve the most effective and sustainable partnerships for the region. The Department will work collaboratively with districts and facilitators to overcome the barriers and come to solutions that are agreeable for everyone. We will provide detailed fiscal and data analysis to assist in solidifying long term relationships for reorganization partners.

I am very appreciative of the work you have done to date. The Department will be in contact with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss further options.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 21, 2007

James S. Boothby, Superintendent
Surry School Department
443 Main Street
Ellsworth, ME 04605

Dear Superintendent Boothby:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Surry School Department, received on 8/24/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- Proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of 1,200.
- Proposed regional school unit does not provide K-12 programming for all students.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with it.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 21, 2007

James S. Boothby, Superintendent
Trenton School Department
443 Main Street
Ellsworth, ME 04605

Dear Superintendent Boothby:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of Trenton School Department, received on 8/24/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- Proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of 1,200.
- Proposed regional school unit does not provide K-12 programming for all students.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with it.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 21, 2007

James S. Boothby, Superintendent
MSAD 26
443 Main Street
Ellsworth, ME 04605

Dear Superintendent Boothby:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 26, received on 8/24/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- Proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of 1,200.
- Proposed regional school unit does not provide K-12 programming for all students.

Thank you for your efforts to date; as you proceed with your work on this, I invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with it.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 21, 2007

Patrick H. O'Neill, Superintendent
MSAD 27
23 W Main St Ste 101
Fort Kent, ME 04743

Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 27, received on 8/31/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- Proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

I wish you continued success as you proceed with your work on your Reorganization Plan, and invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with that next step.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 21, 2007

Fern M. Desjardins, Superintendent
MSAD 33
PO Box 9
Frenchville, ME 04745-0009

Dear Superintendent Desjardins:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 33, received on 8/28/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- Proposed regional school unit does not meet the minimum resident student enrollment of at least 2,500.

I wish you continued success as you proceed with your work on your Reorganization Plan, and invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with that next step.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

September 21, 2007

Paul A. Stearns, Superintendent
MSAD 04
25 Campus Drive Drop #2
Guilford, ME 04443

Dear Superintendent Stearns:

Thank you for the Notice of Intent to submit a Reorganization Plan that you submitted on behalf of MSAD 04, received on 8/28/2007 and that is attached here for ease of reference.

I have reviewed the intended action as described in your Notice of Intent and have determined that it does not comply with the requirements of the Reorganization Law, for the following reason(s):

- The proposed regional school unit(s) listed in the Notice(s) of Intent was not reciprocated by all or some units listed.

I encourage you to keep your initial conversations region wide while deciding on your final partnerships, this will help ensure all district within the region meet final compliance with the law.

I wish you continued success as you proceed with your work on your Reorganization Plan, and invite you to please contact my office if we can assist you with that next step.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education