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Commissioner Susan Gendron
Maine Department of Education
23 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04330

Dear Commissioner Gendron,

At last evening's (March 3, 2008) Regional Planning Committee (RPC) meeting, it was moved by Westbrook's Mayor Bruce Chuluda, seconded by Windham resident Mike Duffy, that the Regional Planning Committee move forward with planning for a Raymond / Westbrook / Windham consolidation. Unfortunately, Windham and Raymond voted to end the consolidation effort and therefore voted no on this motion. The Westbrook contingency voted unanimously (in caucus since each city / town had one vote) to continue the consolidation efforts. Therefore the motion was defeated.

The purpose of my letter is to inform the Department of Education about this action. I am also requesting to re-activate the alternate (stand alone) status of the Westbrook School Department. Will Westbrook need to take any additional action regarding our desire to be an alternative site? Westbrook's alternative plan received approval on September 13, 2007.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stan Sawyer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Stan Sawyer
Superintendent of Schools

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