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EXHIBIT: #IV.C.

TO: Members of the State Board of Education

FROM: Susan A. Gendron, Commissioner*

DATE: May 14, 2008

SUBJECT: Consideration of the Review Team Report Regarding the Application for Additional Degree-Granting Authorization as Submitted by the University of New England to Award the Master of Medical Education Leadership (MMEL) Degree.

BACKGROUND: 20-A MRSA, Chapter 409 provides that a postsecondary educational institution desiring to confer additional degrees must obtain authorization from the Maine State Board of Education.

Officials of the University of New England, located in Biddeford, Maine, submitted an application seeking authority to confer an additional degree, the Master of Medical Education Leadership (MMEL). The Board approved Review Team met, in Augusta, with a University of New England MMEL program official January 30, 2008. Subsequently, the Review Team Report of Findings was developed for receipt by the Board.

RECOMMENDATION: That the State Board of Education accept the Review Team Report and authorize the University of New England to confer the additional degree of Master of Medical Education Leadership (MMEL).

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