

## NOTICE OF INTENT

SAU Submitting: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Information: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Submitted by SAU: \_\_\_\_\_

### 1. \_\_\_\_\_ **Notice of the SAU's Intent to Submit Reorganization Plan**

SAUs included in the proposed RSU: \_\_\_\_\_

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*A Reorganization Plan is submitted by each of the SAUs that proposes to become part of a new Regional School Unit that includes other SAUs. The SAUs of the proposed RSU must submit a Reorganization Plan even if the proposed RSU would be smaller than 2,500 but greater than 1,000 students due to geographic, demographic and other allowed exceptions.*

### 2. \_\_\_\_\_ **Notice of the SAU's Intent to Submit Reorganization Plan for Alternative Organizational Structure (AOS)**

SAUs included in the proposed AOS: \_\_\_\_\_

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*A Reorganization Plan for Alternative Organizational Structure (AOS) is submitted by each of the SAUs that proposes to become part of a new AOS (which will include other SAUs). Each of the SAUs of the proposed AOS must submit a Reorganization Plan even if the proposed AOS would be smaller than 2,500 but greater than 1,000 students due to geographic, demographic and/or other exceptions, as permitted by law.*

### 3. \_\_\_\_\_ **Notice of the SAU's Intent to Submit Alternative Plan**

*An Alternative Plan is submitted by an SAU that proposes to meet the required reduction in costs without partnering with other SAUs.*

*An alternative plan may be submitted only by a unit that is:*

*(1) An offshore island;*

*(2) A school operated by a tribal school committee pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30, section 6214;*

*(3) A school administrative unit that serves more than 2,500 students, or 1,200 students where circumstances justify an exception to the requirement of 2,500 students under XXXX-36, subsection 6, paragraph A, where expansion of the unit would be inconsistent with the*

policies set forth in Title 20-A, section 1451; or

(4) A school administrative unit that is designated as an efficient, high-performing district. For purposes of this subparagraph, a school administrative unit is designated an "efficient, high-performing district" if:

(a) It contains at least 3 schools identified as "higher performing" in the May 2007 Maine Education Policy Research Institute report "The Identification of Higher and Lower Performing Maine Schools"; and

(b) Its reported 2005-2006 per-pupil expenditures for system administration represent less than 4% of its total per-pupil expenditures.

The alternative plan must address how the SAU will reorganize administrative functions, duties and non-instructional personnel so that the projected expenditures of the SAU in FY 2008-2009 for system administration, transportation, special education and facilities and maintenance will not have an adverse impact on the instructional program.

### 3. Basis for Alternative Plan

Explain why the SAU intends to submit an Alternative Plan, in accordance with the criteria set forth in #2, above.

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4. Facilitator (if applicable, if known): \_\_\_\_\_

### 5. Determination and Notification of Compliance

The Commissioner of the Department of Education will make a determination and notify SAUs by September 14, 2007, or 14 days from receipt if received after August 31, 2007, whether the intended action, including the intention to file a Reorganization or an Alternative Plan, complies with the requirements of Chapter 103-A.

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DOE USE ONLY: Date Reviewed \_\_\_\_\_

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DOE USE ONLY: Date of Commissioner Response \_\_\_\_\_

DOE USE ONLY: Date Returned for Revisions with Additional Questions \_\_\_\_\_

DOE USE ONLY: Due Date for Revisions from SAU \_\_\_\_\_

DOE USE ONLY: Date Revised Notice Reviewed \_\_\_\_\_

DOE USE ONLY: Date of Commissioner Response to Revised Notice \_\_\_\_\_