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Honorable Larry LeDoux Commissioner of Education Alaska Department of Education & Early Development 801 West 10th Street, Suite 200 PO Box 110500 Juneau, Alaska 99811-0500

Dear Commissioner LeDoux:

This letter is written in response to a request to amend Alaska's Consolidated State Application that the State submitted on November 7, 2008, under section 9302 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB). The amendment submitted by Alaska concerns the State adjusting AMAO 1 to include limited English proficient students who have attained proficiency, and to exclude those students who only have one data point.

I am pleased to approve this amendment to Alaska's Consolidated State Application. If you have not already done so, please send an electronic copy of this change to your program officer, Amy Weinmann at Amy.Weinmann@ed.gov.

I thank you for your efforts to improve education in your State and I hope that this amendment to Alaska's Consolidated State Application will assist the State to realize the goals of NCLB for all of Alaska's children. If we can provide you further assistance as you implement the provisions of NCLB, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely.

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