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Kerry Briggs  
Assistant Secretary for Elementary  
and Secondary Education  
U.S. Department of Education  
400 Maryland Avenue, SW  
Washington, DC 20202

Dear Assistant Secretary Briggs,

Attached is Ohio's proposal for Differentiated Accountability flexibility which is built on key concepts of accountability, differentiation and intervention.

Based upon promising support from the members of our education community, we believe that our proposed model provides the structure needed to Ohio districts and schools enable all students to be proficient in reading and mathematics by the 2013-2014 school-year.

Your review of Ohio's proposal is appreciated. We are committed to the core principles outlined in this proposal and will implement this project if selected as one of the pilot states.

Questions about the Ohio proposal should be referred to me at (614) 466-5834 or [Stephen.barr@ode.state.oh.us](mailto:Stephen.barr@ode.state.oh.us)

Sincerely,

Stephen Barr  
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Attachment

cc: Susan Tave Zelman