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March 7, 2008

Dear Superintendent/RPC Chair:

As you know, revisions to Reorganization Plans are due by March 28, 2008. I appreciate the effort and leadership that you are providing during this uncertain time.

I would like to offer an option to reorganization planning committees (RPC) who have not taken any formal action (i.e. votes to add, delete or change) on their reorganization plans since the last submission. The RPC chair may write a letter to the Department of Education indicating such; no vote by the member school administrative unit (SAU) boards is required for this submission.

If there has been formal action (i.e. votes to add, delete or change) taken on any part of your reorganization plan since the last submission, each SAU represented in the plan must conduct a SAU board vote on the revised plan before submitting it to the Department of Education by March 28, 2008.

I hope you find this option alleviates some of the pressure on you, your school board members, and reorganization planning committee members as you move forward with this work.

I encourage you to contact Ray Poulin and Norm Higgins of our Reorganization Team for more information and to further consult on this issue. They may be reached at 624-6802.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Susan A. Gendron'.

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education