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Joel Montero
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1300 17th Street – City Centre
Bakersfield, CA. 93301

Dear Mr. Montero:

The Compton Community College District (CCCD) is at an important milestone as it relates to the return of governing authority of the elected governing board of the CCCD. Since 2006, Compton Community College District under the authority of the Special Trustee has remained a legal entity having responsibilities of business and administrative activities including accounting services; budget development and administration; financial, credit and debt management; payroll services; purchasing, receiving and asset management; auxiliary services; risk management and insurance; management information services; facilities maintenance and operations; construction and other capital improvement projects; bond funds; human resources and labor relations; community and governmental relations that relate primarily to CCCD; and all other business, legal and administrative activities that relate primarily to the management of CCCD. CCCD works collegially and collaboratively with El Camino College in supporting the goal of moving the Compton Community Educational Center (Compton Center) to an accredited institution.

Assembly Bill 318 and applicable Education Code Section 71093 (a), provides the steps for the return of authority of the locally elected governing board of CCCD. As the California Community College's State Special Trustee assigned to CCCD, I am inquiring whether the Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team concurs with the Special Trustee that the CCCD has, for two consecutive academic years, met the requirements of the FCMAT's comprehensive assessment and recovery plan pursuant to Education Code Section 41329.59. Whereas the return of local authority to the elected governing board is distinct and independent of the accreditation process of the Compton Center, it is an important and vital step in demonstrating to the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges (ACCJC) that the CCCD has a well-functioning and legally constituted board that can ultimately assume the responsibilities of an accredited college.

Thank you for your consideration and please let me know if there is any additional information that you may need regarding my request.

Sincerely,



Thomas E. Henry

Special Trustee

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- c. Erik Skinner, Acting Chancellor, California Community College
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- Dr. Dena Maloney, Superintendent/President, El Camino College
- Dr. Keith Curry, Provost/CEO, El Camino College Compton
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