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The Honorable Gil Mendoza Assistant Superintendent Washington Department of Public Instruction Special Programs and Federal Accountability Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction Olympia, WA 98504

Dear Assistant Superintendent Mendoza:

I am writing in response to Washington's Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction's (OSPI) request to waive certain statutory and regulatory requirements of Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended. After reviewing OSPI's request, I am pleased to grant the following waiver:

Approving schools and local educational agencies (LEAs) identified for improvement, corrective action, or restructuring as supplemental educational services (SES) providers. I am granting a oneyear waiver of 34 C.F.R. § 200.47(b)(1)(iv)(A) and (B) to permit OSPI to approve a school or LEA identified for improvement, corrective action, or restructuring to serve as an SES provider in the 2014-2015 school year.

This waiver is granted on the condition that OSPI will submit to the U.S. Department of Education a report that provides the total number of LEAs identified for improvement or corrective action that were approved to be an SES provider for the 2014-2015 school year by September 30, 2014. Additionally, the report should include the total number of schools identified for improvement, corrective action, or restructuring that were approved to be an SES provider for the 2014–2015 school year.

I appreciate the work you are doing to improve your schools and provide a high-quality education for your students. If you have any questions, please contact Matthew Stern of my staff at: matthew.stern@ed.gov or 202-453-6451.

Sincerely,

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