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January 12, 2009

Mr. Peter McWalters, Commissioner  
Rhode Island Department of Education  
255 Westminster Street  
Providence, RI 02903-3400

**Re: Northern Rhode Island Collaborative v. East Providence School Department**

Dear Commissioner McWalters:

Please be advised that this office represents the Northern Rhode Island Collaborative regarding the matter of non-payment of tuition by the East Providence School Department. As of January 9, 2009, the East Providence School Department owes the Northern Rhode Island Collaborative \$563,214.30 in tuition payments.

The Northern Rhode Island Collaborative has made several attempts to collect this money from the East Providence School Department. The Collaborative has notified the Business Manager and Superintendent of Schools, but unfortunately all attempts to collect the money owed have been unsuccessful. Furthermore, this is not the first time the Northern Rhode Island Collaborative has had difficulty in collecting tuition payments from the East Providence School Department.

Please schedule an expedited hearing under Rhode Island General Law 16-39-1 to establish that this tuition is owed. We are requesting under Rhode Island General Law 16-5-30 that you direct the General Treasurer to deduct the amount owed from the East Providence School Department's State Aid and submit this amount to the Northern Rhode Island

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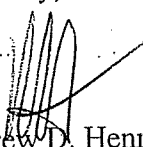
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Collaborative. In addition, we are requesting the East Providence School Department be directed to reimburse the Collaborative for the legal fees incurred in collecting this money. I am enclosing our Accounts Receivable Detail Aging Report indicating the tuition that is owed.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



Andrew D. Henneous, Esq.

ADH:ls  
Enclosure

cc: Craig T. Enos, Director of Administration  
Julian E. MacDonnell, Jr., Executive Director  
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ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE DETAIL AGING REPORT

Aging date: 1/09/09

Document types: I = Invoice P = Payment C = Cr memo D = Dr memo B = Balance forward F = Finance charge R = Returned check  
 Notes: On types I, B, C, D and R, Amount-1 is the amount subject to discount. On type P Amount-1 is cash receipt amt.  
 On type F Amount-1 is fin charge amt. On types I, C, D and R, Amount-2 is the amount not subject to discount.  
 On type P Amount-2 is discount plus allowance. (No Amount-2 for types F & B).

Cust-#	Name	Balance	-----Aged customer balances-----			
			Current	Over 30 days	Over 60 days	Over 90 days
Contact-1	Address-1	Credit-limit				
Phone-#-1	Address-2	Terms				
Phone-#-2	City/State/Zip	Last-pmt-dat				

A/R account: 00-000-1100 ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

9	OPN-ITM EA.PROVIDENCE SCHOOL DEPT	563,214.30	214,822.02	153,354.41	5,214.22	189,823.65
SPECIAL ED	Unlimited credit					
	80 BURNSIDE AVE.	NET 30	38%	27%	1%	34%
	East Providence, RI 02915	12/15/08				

Doc-#	Doc-date	Typ	Apply-to	Due-date	Reference	Amount-1	Amount-2	Doc-total	Age
400208	9/12/08	P	Open	9/12/08	CREDIT FROM INV OVERPMT	36,000.00-	0.00	36,000.00-	119
* Cash *	12/15/08	P	Open	12/15/08	APPLY TO INV	35,989.44	0.00	35,989.44	25
7944	8/27/08	I	7944	8/27/08	Ref #: 008610	2,625.00	0.00	2,625.00	135
7945	8/27/08	I	7945	8/27/08	Ref #: 008611	5,550.30	0.00	5,550.30	135
7981	9/10/08	I	7981	9/10/08	Ref #: 008648	217,648.35	0.00	217,648.35	121
8066	11/03/08	I	8066	11/03/08	Ref #: 008735	5,214.22	0.00	5,214.22	67
8094	11/12/08	I	8094	11/12/08	Ref #: 008764	149,935.53	0.00	149,935.53	58
8155	12/05/08	I	8155	12/05/08	Ref #: 008826	2,018.88	0.00	2,018.88	35
8156	12/05/08	I	8156	12/05/08	Ref #: 008827	1,400.00	0.00	1,400.00	35
8175	1/06/09	I	8175	1/06/09	Ref #: 008846	1,766.52	0.00	1,766.52	3
8176	1/06/09	I	8176	1/06/09	Ref #: 008847	1,225.00	0.00	1,225.00	3
8191	1/06/09	I	8191	1/06/09	Ref #: 008860	500.00	0.00	500.00	3
8198	1/08/09	I	8198	1/08/09	Ref #: 008867	164,445.42	0.00	164,445.42	1
8200	1/08/09	I	8200	1/08/09	Ref #: 008869	10,895.64	0.00	10,895.64	1

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Totals for: 00-000-1100 ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

DR lines show totals for customers with debit balances as of the aging date  
 CR lines show totals for customers with credit balances as of the aging date

	Total	Current	Over 30 days	Over 60 days	Over 90 days
DR bal cust totals:	563,214.30	214,822.02 38%	153,354.41 27%	5,214.22 1%	189,823.65 34%
CR bal cust totals:	0.00	0.00 0%	0.00 0%	0.00 0%	0.00 0%
Net totals:	563,214.30	214,822.02 38%	153,354.41 27%	5,214.22 1%	189,823.65 34%

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