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Ms. Susan K. Haberstroh Education Associate Department of Education 401 Federal Street, Suite 2 Dover, DE 19901

RE: 13 DE Reg. [1501 DOE Proposed Education Program for ELL Student Regulation]

Dear Ms. Haberstroh:

The State Council for Persons with Disabilities (SCPD) has reviewed the Department of Education's (DOE's) proposal to amend its regulation covering the education of English Language Learners ("ELLs"); a/k/a limited English Proficient ("ELP") students. The proposed regulation was published as 13 DE Reg. 1501 in the June 1, 2010 issue of the Register of Regulations.

The current regulation contemplates ELL student participation in the DSTP. SCPD endorses the proposed regulation since the DSTP is being replaced with the Delaware Comprehensive Assessment System ("DCAS") and the DOE is simply substituting a reference to the DCAS for a reference to the DSTP.

Thank you for your consideration and please contact SCPD if you have any questions or comments regarding our position or observations on the proposed regulation.

Sincerely,

Daniese McMullin-Powell, Chairperson State Council for Persons with Disabilities

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