June 28, 2018

Mr. Chris Kenton, Executive Director
Professional Standards Board
Townsend Building
401 Federal Street – Suite 2
Dover, DE 19901

RE: 21 DE Reg. 972 [DOE Final Certificates of Eligibility (April 1, 2018)]

Dear Mr. Kenton:

The State Council for Persons with Disabilities (SCPD) has reviewed The Professional Standards Board and the Delaware Department of Education’s (DDOE) final regulation related to the issuance of Certificates of Eligibility. This final regulation was published as 20 DE Reg. 972 in the June 1, 2017 issue of the Register of Regulations

The SCPD is requesting for parental notification and a competency requirement to be included. The SCPD is also requesting that examples be provided of what constitute appropriate “other considerations”.

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

Sincerely,

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