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November 18, 2009

Ms. Cynthia Nava, Superintendent Gadsden Independent Schools P.O. Drawer 70 Anthony, NM 88021

Dear Ms. Nava:

Your district's SY 2009-10 final ARRA Title I, Part A Award (24201) is listed below (grant number S389A90031A).

ARRA Title I, Part A: \$6,038,645.00
ARRA Title I, Part D, Subpart 2: \$0.00
ARRA 2009-2010 Title I Final Allocation (24201): \$6,038,645.00

Approximately one-half of this award was made available to districts in April 2009. At this time, a final award is being made that includes any previous amounts awarded. Please submit a budget increase for your remaining balance based upon the information from the ARRA Title I Remaining Balances Table that may be found under the ARRA Title I Stimulus heading at the following link: http://www.ped.state.nm.us/titleI/index.html.

Funding awarded under this grant must be obligated by June 30, 2011 and liquidated by September 30, 2011.

Note that as a condition of receiving this award, the LEA agrees and acknowledges that an employee of the LEA may not be discharged, demoted, or otherwise discriminated against as a reprisal for disclosing, including a disclosure made in the ordinary course of an employee's duties, to the Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board, an inspector general, the Comptroller General, a member of Congress, a State or Federal regulatory or law enforcement agency (such as the New Mexico Attorney General's Office), a person with supervisory authority over the employee (or such other person working for the employer who has the authority to investigate, discover, or terminate misconduct), a court or grand jury, the head of a Federal agency or their representatives, information that the employee reasonably believes is evidence of:

- a) gross mismanagement of a grant relating to Title I Part A program funds awarded under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act ("ARRA");
- b) a gross waste of ARRA program funds;

- a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety related to the implementation or use of ARRA program funds;
- d) an abuse of authority related to the implementation or use of ARRA program funds; or
- a violation of law, rule, or regulation related to a grant awarded or issued relating to ARRA program funds.

Any LEA receiving funds pursuant to the ARRA shall post notice of the rights and remedies provided under this assurance.

This grant is subject to the provisions of Title I and Title IX, as applicable, of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, and the General Education Provisions Act (P.L. 103-382). This grant is also subject to the Title I Regulations in 34 CFR Part 200 and the Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR Parts 76 (Except for 76.650 – 76.662 Participation of Students Enrolled in Private Schools), 77, 80, 81, 82 and 85.

Please feel free to contact Sam Ornelas at 505-222-4740 should you have any further questions.

Veronica C. Garcia, Ed.D. Secretary of Education

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