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January 10, 2011

South Texas College
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ATTN: Ms. Mary Elizondo, Comptroller

SUBJ: On-site Monitoring Report for American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), State Fiscal Stabilization (SFSF), Government Services Fund, Subrecipient award

REF: (a) THECB ARRA Notice of Grant Award No. 3623
(b) USDE Prime Award No. S397A090044

Dear Ms. Elizondo,

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) has engaged the firm of Clifton Gunderson LLP to conduct on-site monitoring of the above referenced (a) grant subaward. Clifton Gunderson has completed the site visit and reported to the THECB all observations based on an agreed-upon set of procedures, both of which have been incorporated into the monitoring report.

You will find attached for your review the final report of that monitoring effort, with no areas of testing needing follow-up from your institution. Your response via email is requested within ten (10) business days of receipt of this letter to:

(a) confirm receipt of the THECB's monitoring report; and,
(b) provide any additional comments relevant to the on-site monitoring activities.

In addition, please be advised that in the interest of increased transparency under ARRA, the U.S. Department of Education has requested that the THECB post all monitoring reports and management responses to its ARRA grants program website.

The THECB sincerely appreciates the opportunity to work with your staff in this endeavor and the commitment your institution has made to ensure this ARRA project met its requirements of accountability and transparency. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at the numbers listed below.

Sincerely,

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Griffiths, Dan

From: Mary G. Elizondo [marye@southtexascollege.edu]
Sent: Monday, February 07, 2011 3:56 PM
To: Griffiths, Dan
Cc: Barchers, Kristen; Cynthia Villarreal
Subject: RE: THECB ARRA Grants Program :: On-site monitoring report_South Texas College

Mr. Griffiths:

We have received your report and have no questions or comments. I apologize for the delay in responding.

Please let us know if you require any additional information from us.

Kind regards,
Mary Elizondo

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We are genuinely committed to improving service to our customers. Your comments and suggestions are important to us. Please take a moment to fill out a form for our Online Suggestion Box. Thank You.

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From: Griffiths, Dan [mailto:Dan.Griffiths@THECB.state.tx.us]
Sent: Monday, February 07, 2011 2:57 PM
To: Mary G. Elizondo
Cc: Barchers, Kristen
Subject: FW: THECB ARRA Grants Program :: On-site monitoring report_South Texas College

Ms. Elizondo,

I wanted to follow up with you regarding the monitoring report we had sent to you on January 10, and request that you provide a response at your earliest possible convenience. Please give me a call if you have any questions.

Thanks,
Dan

From: Griffiths, Dan
Sent: Monday, January 10, 2011 2:37 PM
To: 'marye@southtexascollege.edu'
Cc: Barchers, Kristen
Subject: THECB ARRA Grants Program :: On-site monitoring report_South Texas College

Ms. Elizondo,

The Coordinating Board has concluded an on-site monitoring visit to review the ARRA Government Services Funds awarded to your institution.

Please find attached my cover letter and related report for your review and comment, and ask that you respond in kind with an email for the requested information.

We sincerely appreciate your staff availability and assistance during this activity, let me know if you have any questions.

Regards,
Dan

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