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## Via electronic and regular mail

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Re: Leonor Alcantara, et al., v. David Hespe,

Commissioner of Education, et al.

OAL Dkt. No. EDU 11069-14

Dear Mr. Lang:

As you are aware, this office represents the Respondents in the above-referenced matter. Respondents may call the following individuals to testify at the hearing in the above-referenced matter:

- 1. Kevin Dehmer, Assistant Commissioner of Finance, New Jersey Department of Education, 100 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, New Jersey: Mr. Dehmer is familiar with state school funding in New Jersey and the budgetary process.
- 2. Glenn Forney, Deputy Assistant Commissioner of Finance, New Jersey Department of Education, 100 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, New Jersey: Mr. Forney is familiar with the assignment of state monitors generally, and Lakewood School District ("District") specifically. He is further familiar with the state aid advances that the District has received and the District generally.
- 3. Judith DeStefano-Anen, Interim Cape May County Executive County Superintendent ("ECS"), New Jersey Department of Education, 4 Moore Road, DN 701, Cape May Court House, New Jersey: Dr. DeStefano-Anen is familiar with the county level budget process both on a county and District level. As an interim ECS, Dr. DeStefano-Anen has approved various



- school district budgets, including the District's.
- 4. Charles Muller, Business Administrator, Ocean County Executive County Superintendent's Office, 212 Washington Street, Toms River, New Jersey: As the Business Administrator within the Ocean County ECS' Office, he is familiar with county financial practices including local budget decision making and transportation.
- 5. Raymond Zirilli, Office of Transportation, New Jersey Department of Education, 100 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, New Jersey: Mr. Zirilli is familiar with transportation issues within the State and at a local level, including the District.
- 6. Diana Pasculli, Deputy Assistant Commissioner of Performance, New Jersey Department of Education, 100 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, New Jersey: Ms. Pasculli is familiar with school performance standards as they apply generally throughout the State and with regard to the District.
- 7. Dominic Rota, Acting Director, Office of Special Education Programs, New Jersey Department of Education, 100 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, New Jersey: Mr. Rota is familiar with the State's special education programs.
- 8. Robert Ortley, Manager, State Aid Audit Unit, Office of Financial Accountability and Compliance, New Jersey Department of Education, 200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, New Jersey: Mr. Ortley's office conducted audits of the District on behalf of the Department of Education..
- 9. Jason Martucci, Regulatory Officer, Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services, 101 South Broad Street, Trenton, New Jersey: Mr. Martucci is familiar with local government practices and issues within the State and in Lakewood.
- 10. Christopher Soleau, Principal Auditor, Office of the State Auditor, Office of Legislative Services, 125 South Warren Street, Trenton, New Jersey: Mr. Soleau was the principal auditor of an audit conducted of the District in 2014.

Respondents reserve the right to amend this list pursuant to  $\underline{\text{N.J.A.C.}}\ 1:1-1.1$  et seq. Further, we reserve the right to call David Shafter in Respondents' case should we determine it necessary to do so.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

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