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January 13, 2009

George Entwistle, Superintendent
Falmouth Public Schools
51 Woodville Road
Falmouth, ME 04105

Dear Superintendent Entwistle:

Thank you for the revised Alternative Plan that you submitted on behalf of Falmouth Public Schools on January 12, 2009 for Department review for compliance with the school reorganization law, P.L. 2007, chapter 240, Part XXXX.

Members of my staff and I have completed the review of your plan, and have determined that it is consistent with the Policy Objectives and Parameters set forth in the reorganization law, and it includes all required plan elements and adequate supporting documentation. Therefore, I have determined that your plan is complete and in compliance with the law.

What I am reviewing for approval is a plan which is by its very nature prospective, with steps yet to be taken or finalized; and any review comments or approval given are in relation to the elements required under P.L. 2007, chapter 240, Part XXXX but not the legality of all the activities proposed. Thus, I strongly recommend that you have your own legal advisor(s) review the details of any particular transaction proposed in your plan (particularly with respect to the disposition of property, to debt, and to employee contracts/relations) as you proceed, to ensure the legality of the steps you'll be taking to implement the plan. If that review leads to any substantive changes in any parts of your plan, please be sure to submit an amended plan to the Department for our review and our file.

I appreciate the great effort that went into preparing your Alternative Plan, and I wish you continued success as you implement the elements set forth in this plan.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan A. Gendron".

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education