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TO: Regular Operating District Chief School and School Business Administrators
with School Facilities Projects Approved for Allocation One or Allocation Two Grants

FROM: Lucille E. Davy
Commissioner

SUBJECT: **Grant Program for School Facilities Projects for Regular Operating Districts:
GRANT EXPIRATION INFORMATION**

In accordance with 6A:26-18.5 (d), a regular operating district (ROD) must obtain the local share for an approved school facilities project grant within 180 days of notification by the Department of Education of the Final Eligible Costs (FEC). If the local share is not obtained within such time period, the grant award will be rescinded. The ROD may resubmit a grant application for reconsideration in a future grant cycle. However, in order to allow districts the opportunity to fulfill their local share requirements beyond this year's budget, **the grant expiration for all allocation one and allocation two approvals has been extended beyond the 180 days to June 1, 2010.** This extension will afford districts the opportunity to fund the local share in the 2010 budget as well as allow for additional referendum dates in 2010.

A District with an approved grant in allocation one or allocation two can select one of the following three options:

(1) If your District plans to secure local funding by June 1, 2010 for the approved project(s) as represented in the Final Eligible Cost approval letter, no action is required. Do not resubmit the project for grant allocation three consideration.

(2) If your District plans to secure local funding by June 1, 2010 for the approved project(s) but the scope of work and/or the estimated project costs represented in the Final Eligible Cost approval letter require modification, the grant award must be cancelled and the project resubmitted in accordance with the Allocation Three schedule.

(3) If your District does not plan to proceed with the approved grant project, you should immediately notify the Department that the grant award will not be executed.

Please contact Bernard Piaia at the Department's Office of School Facilities at (609) 984-2738 or email questions to project_app@doe.state.nj.us, if you need additional information.

c: Executive County Superintendents
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