

**REQUEST TO EXCLUDE TITLE I, PART A ARRA FUNDS IN DETERMINING
THE PER-PUPIL AMOUNT FOR SES**

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Title I, IIA, and VI
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Dear Ms. Coats:

I am writing on behalf of the [*Name of School District and County/District Code*] to request a waiver for fiscal year (FY) 2009 of the requirement in section 1116(e)(6)(A) of the ESEA and in 34 C.F.R. § 200.48(c)(1) to determine the per-pupil amount for supplemental educational services (SES) based on an LEA's total FY 2009 Title I, Part A allocation (both regular Title IA and Title IA ARRA allocations). Specifically, I am seeking this waiver to allow our LEA to exclude some or all of the Title IA funds we receive under ARRA in calculating the per-pupil amount for SES. The [*Name of School District*] believes that the requested waiver, by reducing the per-pupil amount, will allow us to provide SES to a greater number of students.

The [*Name of School District*] believes that, ultimately, allowing our LEA to exclude some or all of its ARRA funds in determining the per-pupil amount for SES thereby allowing more students to receive SES may help us make AYP by enabling more students to receive services that will help them meet Missouri's annual measurable objectives (AMOs) in reading and mathematics.

If [*Name of School District*] is granted the requested waiver, we assure that:

- (1) We will comply with all of the statutory and regulatory requirements regarding the provision of SES with respect to our regular FY 2009 Title IA allocation; and
- (2) We will comply with all other Title IA statutory and regulatory requirements (to the extent they are not waived), including the requirements in sections 1114 and 1115 of the ESEA to have schoolwide and targeted assistance programs that "use effective methods and instructional strategies that are based on scientifically based research."

Computation of Per-Pupil Amount for

Regular Title IA Allocation \$ _____ / Student Poverty Count _____ = \$ _____ (required)

Portion of Title IA ARRA Allocation \$ _____ / Student Poverty Count _____ = \$ _____ (optional)

Under section 1116(e)(6) of the ESEA, an LEA must make available, for each student receiving SES, the lesser of: (1) the actual costs of the services; or (2) the LEA's Title I.A allocation divided by the number of children from families below the poverty level in the LEA, as determined by census data (*i.e.*, the "per-pupil amount for SES"). The [*Name of School District*] chooses to exclude some or all of its Title IA ARRA funds in calculating the per-pupil amount for SES, allowing us to provide SES to a greater number of eligible students. We understand we are not required to exclude all of the ARRA funds from our calculation of the per-pupil amount or to provide the same per-pupil amount for all services. [*Our LEA chooses to provide the per-pupil amount based on our regular FY 2009 allocation to most students but provide a higher amount (based on its regular allocation plus some or all of its ARRA allocation) to students for whom it is more costly to provide SES, such as students with disabilities, limited English proficient students, or students in remote rural areas.*]

Please feel free to contact me by phone or email at [*contact information*] if you have any questions regarding this request. Thank you for your consideration.

Superintendent's Signature _____ Date _____