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Good afternoon,

This e-mail is a follow-up on the application you submitted to receive the designation of high-performing educational service center. I am pleased to inform you that the Department has reviewed and approved your application. All 51 ESCs applied, and all are again designated as high-performing.

Across the state, ESCs reported significant savings to client school districts. This represents only part of the value that you and your colleagues are providing to school districts across the state. On behalf of our team here at the Department of Education and Workforce, thank you for your partnership.

While the designation of high-performing no longer provides a differentiation in state funding, ESCs can still use the designation to help client schools meet federal procurement requirements. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Congratulations!

Thanks, Aaron

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