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In follow-up to my letter dated May 2, I wanted to let you know that the Department of Education will be submitting a response to the USAC letter, on behalf of all interested school districts. I understand that my May 2 letter may have caused some confusion and frustration; however, my team needed some time to determine the best and most strategic way to approach this problem-- in order to protect your interests.

Additionally, my intent is not to prevent or dissuade you from speaking with your own individual legal counsels. I simply want to assure you that there will be a school district, specific response written by the SDE, and that every affected school district will have the option to sign-on to that response, if they choose. If you have specific legal questions about the USAC letter, it is still recommended that you contact your attorney, because I cannot give you legal advice.

The SDE looks forward to supporting you on this very delicate situation, and I thank you for your continued collaboration-- to do what is best for our students across Idaho.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sherri Ybarra".

Sherri Ybarra  
Idaho Superintendent of Public Instruction