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Mr. Thomas Egan, State Monitor  
Belleville Board of Education  
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Dear Mr. Egan:

In December, I wrote to you to express safety concerns at Belleville Public Schools. I understand that New Jersey Schools Insurance Group ("NJSIG") representatives have continued to work with you and Belleville's insurance broker to find ways of mitigating the risks outlined in the French and Parrello engineering report. In my December letter I stated the importance of making progress on resolving deficiencies in order for New Jersey Schools Insurance Group to continue providing coverage for Belleville Board of Education. As you know, we offered renewal terms for the July 1, 2017 policies. We have begun work on the July 1, 2018 policy renewals. I am hopeful that sufficient progress has been made to permit NJSIG to offer renewal terms to Belleville Public Schools.

As a joint insurance fund, NJSIG has a responsibility to protect the financial integrity of the fund for the benefit of all of the 400 school district and charter school Members. NJSIG does not have the desire or flexibility to continue to insure an imminent hazard. NJSIG must confirm that the building is structurally sound and does not present an imminent risk to public safety, and that Belleville Board of Education has established reasonable plans to resolve the engineering deficiencies cited in the engineering report in order for NJSIG to continue providing property insurance coverage for Building #4 and general liability insurance for the District.

NJSIG wishes to work with Belleville Board of Education to resolve deficiencies over a reasonable timeframe. NJSIG is hopeful that our concerns can be sufficiently resolved to enable us to prudently continue providing insurance coverage and risk control services for Belleville Public Schools. We look forward to hearing from you about the plans and progress for addressing the needs we observed in Belleville Public Schools.

Sincerely

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