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Ms. Marica Cullen Superintendent North Mac Cusd 34 525 N 3rd St Girard, IL 62640

Dear Ms. Marica Cullen:

The Illinois State Board of Education's Special Education Services Division has reviewed educational environment data for the 2011-2012 school year. An analysis of this data was completed as part of the focused monitoring process to provide the required Evidence of Change.

## **Required Evidence of Change**

The Evidence of Change is designed to ensure that modifications have been made within the district that have ultimately led to improved performance on educational environment placement percentages as reflected in the district's data.

The district was selected based on data related to educational environment data for the 2011-2012 school year. The following table compares 2011-2012 school year data and 2011-2012 school year data.

The verified Educational Environment (EE) data for the 2010-2011 school year identifies that 43.1% of students with disabilities are served ≥80% of their school day in the general education setting (EE01). The district data will improve in this area by seven (7) percentage points to **50.1%**. This benchmark for improvement will be change in the district's Educational Environment data by **December 3 2013**. This percentage will increase the district's percentage beyond the Measurable and Rigorous Target established in the State Performance Plan for the 2010-2011 school year of 49.9% for EE01.

The review of data demonstrates that the required evidence of change has been fulfilled. North Mac Community Unit School District 39 is placing **57.1%** of their students with a disability inside the general education classroom ≥80% of their school day. This addresses all of the required actions and provides the documentation necessary to close this monitoring review. ISBE acknowledges the effective efforts of North Mac Community Unit School District 34 to successfully complete the requirements for the focused monitoring evidence of change.

Your courtesy and cooperation in this matter were appreciated. If you have any questions regarding this response, please contact Laura Quimby at 217/782-5589 or lquimby@isbe.net.

Sincerely,

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