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Melinda Miguel Chief Inspector General Office of the Chief Inspector General The Capitol Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0001

Dear Ms. Miguel:

In accordance with Section 20.055(6)(h), Florida Statutes, attached is the six month status of corrective actions taken in response to Auditor General Report #2021-182, State of Florida Compliance and Internal Controls Over Financial Reporting and Federal Awards.

If you have any concerns regarding this status report, please contact Mike Blackburn by phone at 245-9418 or by email at mike.blackburn@fldoe.org.

Sincerely.

Richard Corcoran

Commissioner of Education

Attachment

cc: Mike Blackburn, Inspector General

Suzanne Pridgeon, Deputy Commissioner, Finance and Operations Mari Presley, Assistant Deputy Commissioner, Finance and Operations

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Six-Month Status Report on: State of Florida Compliance and Internal Controls Over Financial

Reporting and Federal Awards

Report # 2021-182 Issued: March 30, 2021

Status as of September 30, 2021

Program Title: Title I Grants to Local Educational Entities

FDOE Response as of September 30, 2021:

Finding 2020-029: FDOE records did not demonstrate that Comprehensive Management Information System (CMIS) software changes were appropriately tested or approved.

<u>Recommendation:</u> We recommend that the FDOE enhance CMIS change management controls to ensure that all changes are appropriately tested and approved.

Response as of March 30, 2021: The Department concurs with the finding and has updated the production control process to demonstrate that software changes to the Comprehensive Management Information System (CMIS) were appropriately tested and approved. Production control forms have also been modified and instituted to capture documentation of approvals for code validation, testing, and deployment providing proof of separation of duties.

Response as of September 2021: Prior to the issuance of Audit Report 2021-182, the Department updated the production control process to demonstrate that software changes to the Comprehensive Management Information System (CMIS) are appropriately tested and approved. Production control forms were also modified and instituted to capture documentation of approvals for code validation, testing, and deployment providing proof of separation of duties. These modifications were fully implemented on March 2, 2021.

Anticipated Completion Date & Contact: Fully Corrected; Andre Smith