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Ms. Valerie Grey
Executive Deputy Commissioner
New York State Education Department
Albany, NY 12234

Dear Ms. Grey:

Re: SED Contract C010782
with Wireless Generation

In light of the significant ongoing investigations and continuing revelations with respect to News Corporation, we are returning the contract with Wireless Generation unapproved.

Your agency has provided important information to respond to many of the concerns. However, we believe the record remains incomplete with respect to the vendor responsibility issues involving the parent company of Wireless Generation. In addition, as we learn more, we are compelled to question our previous assumptions about this project, as well as the information that led to our initial decision to support a single source procurement.

For the reason outlined above, we are returning the contract to you unapproved. Should you decide to pursue a competitive procurement we will work with your office to expedite the process.

Sincerely,


Charlotte E. Breyear
Director, Bureau of Contracts

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cc: Dr. John B. King, Jr.
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