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The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse
Clerk of Court
South Carolina Supreme Court
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S.C. Supreme Court

RE: Abbeville County School District, et al. v. State of South Carolina, et al.
Civil Action No. 93-CP-31-169
Court of Appeals Case Tracking No. 2007-065159
Our File No. 11884/01500

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

Pursuant to Rule 240(e), SCACR, Appellants-Respondents, the Plaintiff School Districts, write to inform the Court that they do not plan to file Returns to the Petitions for Rehearing filed on December 30, 2014 by Respondents-Appellants Hugh K. Leatherman and James H. Lucas, or Respondents State of South Carolina and Governor Haley, unless a Return(s) is requested by the Court. This matter has been briefed and orally argued twice, and the Petitions for Rehearing are meritless.

By copy of this letter to other counsel, we are serving them with a copy of same.

Very truly yours,

*Carl B. Epps, III with express
permission by Rachel Feddy*

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