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TO: Charter Applicants

FROM: Dave Machado, Director Office of Charter Schools

2018 CHARTER APPLICATION CYCLE DEADLINE EXTENSION

Per G.S. 115C-215(b)(10), the Charter School Advisory Board (CSAB) shall make recommendations to the State Board of Education (SBE) on timelines for acceptance and approval of charter applications. In addition, SBE policy CHTR-012 stipulates that the State Board of Education shall approve the application process, timeline, and nonrefundable fee for each charter school application cycle. Finally, SBE policy mandates that the Charter School Advisory Board forward its charter school application recommendations to the SBE by April of each year.

Given the disruptions that many applicants have experienced over the past several weeks, the State Board of Education has extended the 2018 charter school application deadline to **Monday, October 1 at 5:00 pm**. Applicants are strongly encouraged to make sure their application is submitted through the online portal by 5:00 pm on October 1, and to ensure that the accompanying fee payment and fee payment form are postmarked by that date. Any applications received after 5:00 pm on October 1 will not be considered, per State Board of Education policy CHTR-012.

If you have any questions or concerns, contact Dr. Danielle Allen at <u>danielle.allen@dpi.nc.gov</u> or (919) 807-3493.

Respectfully,

Dave Machado, Director Office of Charter Schools

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