



August 6, 2009

Mr. John O'Brien, Deputy Director
Legislative Budget Board
1501 N. Congress Ave., 5th Floor
Austin, TX 78701

Dear Mr. O'Brien:

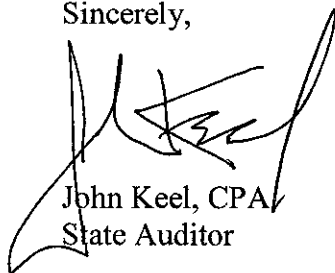
This letter concerns the Quality Assurance Team's (QAT) approval of expenditures of appropriated funds for major information resources projects.

Approving agency expenditures for major information resources projects would affect the State Auditor's Office's compliance with certain auditing standards. Therefore, the State Auditor's Office is delegating to the Legislative Budget Board voting authority on any QAT decisions to approve or not approve the expenditure of appropriated funds for major information resources projects as specified in Sections 9.01 and 9.02, pages IX-44 and IX-45, of the General Appropriations Act (80th Legislature). This delegation is effective until August 31, 2011.

The State Auditor's Office will continue to participate in all other activities and monitoring performed by the QAT, including but not limited to the QAT's oversight responsibilities.

Please contact me at (512) 936-9300 if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,



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