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April 22, 2011

Dr. Patricia Garcia, Superintendent  
Hempstead Union Free School District  
185 Peninsula Boulevard  
Hempstead, NY 11550

Dear Dr. Garcia:

This notice is to inform you that on March 31, 2011, the New York State Board of Regents received one application to establish a charter school in the Hempstead Union Free School District. Details of the application include:

Name of Proposed Charter School	Horizon Educational Reinvestment Opportunity Charter School
Lead Applicant(s)	Dr. Sally A. Thompson
Proposed Management Company	None identified
Other Proposed Partner(s)	None identified
Proposed District of Location	Hempstead Union Free School District
Anticipated Opening Date	September 2012
Proposed Grade Levels/Number of Students per each Year of Initial Charter Term	2012-2013: Grades 9-10 240 students 2013-2014: Grades 9-11 392 students 2014-2015: Grades 9-12 545 students 2015-2016: Grades 9-12 590 students 2016-2017: Grades 9-12 610 students

This application is being reviewed for possible action at the September 2011 meeting of the Board of Regents. Full application materials may be viewed at [www.p12.nysed.gov/psc/startcharter](http://www.p12.nysed.gov/psc/startcharter).

Please note that pursuant to Education Law section 2857(1) and 8 NYCRR 119.4 (available at <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/psc/publichearing.html>), the school district of location is required to hold a public hearing to solicit comments from the community in connection with the foregoing applications. This hearing, which is required to be held within the community that is potentially impacted by the charter school, must be held within 30 days of your receipt of this letter.

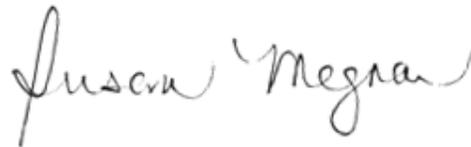
1. A copy of the public hearing notice must be provided to the Charter School Office at the time of dissemination.
2. No later than the next business day following the hearing, written confirmation that this hearing was held must be sent to the Charter School Office.
3. Copies of any and all written records or comments generated from this hearing must be sent to the Charter School Office within 15 business days after the hearing.

All documentation listed above should be submitted electronically to [charterschools@mail.nysed.gov](mailto:charterschools@mail.nysed.gov) (the subject line of the email should include *Horizon Educational Reinvestment Opportunity Charter School Public Hearing*).

In addition, the Hempstead Union Free School District has the right to comment directly to the Board of Regents on the programmatic and fiscal impact of the proposed charter school on traditional public and non-public schools in your district. Comments should be submitted no later than June 3, 2011 to [charterschools@mail.nysed.gov](mailto:charterschools@mail.nysed.gov) (the subject line of the email should read: *Hempstead Union Free School District response to Horizon Educational Reinvestment Opportunity Charter School application*).

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Kalimah Geter, Lead Reviewer, at (718) 722-5964 or [kgeter@mail.nysed.gov](mailto:kgeter@mail.nysed.gov). Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan Megna".

Susan Megna  
Charter School Office

c: Superintendents of public schools within county  
Principals/Heads of public and non-public schools within county