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Dr. Douglas K. Whittaker, Superintendent  
Charlotte County School District  
1445 Education Way  
Port Charlotte, Florida 33948

Dear Superintendent Whittaker:

The Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services is in receipt of your district's response to the follow-up correspondence for the 2014-15 Exceptional Student Education Compliance Self-Assessment. This letter serves as the verification report for Charlotte County School District's 2014-15 Level 1 Fall Cycle self-assessment monitoring process. We are pleased to report that no findings of noncompliance or matrix services cost factor discrepancies were identified by the district or by the bureau during the validation process. Results of districts' self-assessments may be used to inform general supervision activities, including the selection of districts for on-site monitoring and the local educational agency determinations required under section 300.603, Title 34, Code of Federal Regulations.

We understand that the implementation of this self-assessment required a significant commitment of resources, and we appreciate the time and attention your staff has devoted to the process. If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact your district liaison for monitoring or Patricia Howell, program director, at 850-245-0475 or via email at [patricia.howell@fldoe.org](mailto:patricia.howell@fldoe.org).

Sincerely,

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