DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Amendments to the Education Information Policy after comments were assessed

AMENDMENT OF EDUCATION INFORMATION POLICY

I, Angelina Matsie "Angie" Motshekga, Minister of Basic Education, after consultation with the Council of Education Ministers and in terms of section 3(4)(a) of the National Education Policy Act, 1996 (Act No. 27 of 1996), as read with section 59 of the South African Schools Act, 1996 (Act No. 84 of 1996) amend the Education Information Policy as read with paragraph 62 of the Education Information Policy published in Government Gazette No. 26710 of 27 August 2004, as set out in the schedule.

Wherever it relates to FET Colleges and ABET Centres it will be the responsibility of the Minister of Higher Education and Training; and wherever it relates to schools it will be the responsibility of the Minister of Basic Education.

The Director-General of Education would refer to the Director-General of Basic Education and the Director-General of Higher Education and Training whichever is relevant.

Department of Education should be read as Department of Basic Education and Department of Higher Education and Training whichever is relevant.

Angie Motshekga, MP

Minister of Basic Education

30 May 2010

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Information Act, with the authority to classify statistics and data of the institution as official in accordance with section 14 of the Statistics Act No. 6 of 1999.

- iv. The information officer will have the authority to maintain and update educational record.
- v. To analyse, report on, and make recommendations on an ongoing basis for improvement to the electronic and non-electronic information system of the institution so that the system can contribute to the vision of education information system explained in this policy.
- vi. To maintain compliance with national information system standards where the education information system is being developed and enhanced in the institution.
- vii. To collaborate with the other institutional EMIS officers, district EMIS officers, provincial EMIS officers, and the national EMIS officer designated in terms of paragraph 29, in the furtherance of the education information system vision at the national level.
- viii. To analyse data and provide rapid feedback to the institution. Report contradictory data extracted from the source system. Ensure the source system is repaired and improved for better reporting.
- ix. To institute sound methodologies to ensure integrity of institution record by:
 - Ensuring that a business process is developed and adhered to during data processing and migration between systems and data is consistent across systems; and
 - Establishing effective and rigorous record keeping, data verification, data capturing and data handling methodology and sign-off procedures to ensure clean, accurate, reliable, and consistent and quality data.

Amendment of the Policy

The Policy is hereby amended by the substitution for

"Diagram 2: DECISION-MAKING LANDSCAPE SUGGESTED BY THE POLICY" of the following:

"DIAGRAM 2: DECISION-MAKING LANDSCAPE

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5. Policy is hereby amended by the insertion after diagram 2 of the following:

SITA State Information Technology Agency

SACE South African Council for Educators

DPSA Department of Public Service Administration

IT Information Technology

RIEP Research Institute for Education Planning

HSRC Human Science Resource Council

HEDCOM Head of Education Departments Committee