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MEMORANDUM TO: Directors of Education – Toronto and Area Region

FROM: Sue Durst
Director
Curriculum and Assessment Policy Branch

DATE: December 14, 2009

SUBJECT: **Environmental Education: Request for Board Contact**

This is a follow-up to the letter you received dated October 29, 2009. We are pleased to announce that the *Regional Environmental Education Lead (REEL)* has now been identified for your region and is beginning their work.

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TORONTO & AREA	Roberta Oswald	roberta.oswald@tcdsb.org

As outlined in the August 14th memo to Directors of Education, the work of these REELs will be to:

- support boards in their region in revising or developing a board environmental education policy aligned with the provincial policy framework;
- establish a network of environmental education contacts in all boards in the region, including student leaders;
- develop and share a network of community partners who can assist schools and boards in accessing and enhancing resources that support teaching and learning about environmental education; and
- develop a provincial and regional plan for building and sustaining environmental education leadership capacity.

In order to facilitate their work, we are requesting that each board identify an Environmental Education (EE) Contact for the REEL in your region.

If you have not already identified this person, please provide the name, position, telephone number and email address of your Board EE Contact by **December 18, 2009**. Email this information to the REEL that is identified for your region.

Over the course of the school year, the REEL will work collaboratively with the EE Board Contact in furthering EE in each board and in developing student leadership for environmental issues at the board and school level.

Should you have any questions pertaining to this request, feel free to contact **Michael Ball** at Michael.ball2@ontario.ca

We thank you for your continued support of Environmental Education in Ontario.

Original Signed by

Sue Durst

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