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MEMORANDUM TO: Directors of Education, School Boards
Secretary-Treasurers, School Authorities

FROM: Don Young
Director
Information Management Branch

DATE: February 4, 2008

SUBJECT: **Managing Information for Student Achievement (MISA)**
Supplementary Funding for 2007-08

I'm writing to make you aware of supplementary funding that your school board or authority may access to help offset costs associated with your MISA Local Capacity Building activities for the period of April 1, 2007 to March 31, 2008.

Consistent with past practice, supplementary funding may be used for MISA Local Capacity Building activities related to technology, data management, and data use, including human resources/training activities. Activities associated with OnSIS may continue to be covered. Eligible expenditures must be incurred between April 1, 2007 and March 31, 2008.

For _____, supplementary funding in the amount of _____ is available to support MISA-eligible expenditures, as noted above. Should you wish to access this supplementary funding, please print and endorse two copies of the attached amended Transfer Payment Agreement (Attachment 1) and return this to the ministry along with your Amended Financial Forecast (Attachment 2). These documents must be received by the ministry as soon as possible and no later than February 15, 2008. The mailing address is:

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Your Amended Financial Forecast document should reference how your total MISA allocation for 2007-08 (including forecasted supplementary funding) will be applied to eligible MISA activities. No changes will be accepted after February 15, 2008. In addition to mailing a signed Amended Financial Forecast, please also email this document directly to Lisa.Lumley@ontario.ca. Once we have reviewed the above documents, supplementary funding will be released in March in accordance with your board's amended forecast. Lisa Lumley may be contacted directly at (416) 325-9118 should your staff have any questions concerning the administration of this funding.

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School boards have made significant strides in their MISA capacity building activities. Technology has been improved, data management practices are being refined, staff training is underway and teachers, principals and board administrators are now more able to access needed information to support improvements in student achievement and system management. Data received through OnSIS continues to be more timely and accurate and I would underline the importance of meeting future OnSIS timelines as previously communicated.

MISA remains a key enabler for positive outcomes in education. Thank you once again for your ongoing commitment to the MISA initiative.

Original signed by Don Young

Don Young
Director
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Attach. (2) – 1 - Amended Transfer Payment Agreement
2 - Amended Financial Forecast

cc. MISA Leaders
Senior Business Officials