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MEMORANDUM TO: Directors of Education
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SUBJECT: **Update on the Operational Review Refresh Initiative**

As announced in November 2014 (SB#28), the Ministry is conducting an Operational Review Refresh initiative. Where there has been a change in the senior management team since their Operational Review, Directors of Education and Senior Business Officials (SBOs) will participate in a two-hour teleconference led by consultants from either Deloitte Inc. or PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP.

The discussion requires no advance preparation and will focus on the board's Operational Review findings and tools to support future planning in the following areas: human resource management, financial management, and capital planning and facilities management. A list of these tools is posted on the School Business Support Branch website at: <https://sbsb.edu.gov.on.ca/>. There will not be any formal assessment completed or additional follow-up required from boards following the teleconference.

In addition to the two pilot boards (London District Catholic School Board and Greater Essex County District School Board), the Ministry completed discussions with 13 boards in Wave I in early 2015. I am pleased to announce the following Wave II boards, which will be completed by April 30, 2015:

- Catholic DSB of Eastern Ontario
- Hastings and Prince Edward DSB

- Huron-Perth Catholic DSB
- Near North DSB
- Sudbury Catholic DSB
- Thunder Bay Catholic DSB
- Upper Canada DSB

Should you have any questions regarding the Operational Review Refresh initiative, please contact Lorraine Smith at 416-325-2719 or (Lorraine.Smith@ontario.ca). Thank you and I look forward to continuing to work with you on this important initiative.

Original Signed By

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