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MEMORANDUM TO: Directors of Education

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SUBJECT: Wave III of the Operational Review Refresh Initiative

Since November 2014, the Ministry has been conducting the Operational Review Refresh initiative to support school boards that have had a change in their Director of Education and/or Senior Business Official (SBO) since their original Operational Review.

I am pleased to announce the following Wave III boards for this initiative:

- 1. Algoma DSB
- 2. Bruce-Grey Catholic DSB
- 3. Grand Erie DSB
- 4. Lambton Kent DSB
- 5. Lakehead DSB
- 6. Limestone DSB
- 7. Northwest Catholic DSB
- 8. Waterloo Region DSB

Through this important initiative, Directors of Education and SBOs from these boards will participate in a two-hour teleconference led by consultants from either Deloitte Inc. or PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP this fall. These discussions require no advance preparation for school board staff and 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.

Following the teleconference, there are no further assessments completed or additional follow-up required from boards. A brief summary of the discussion is provided to the board along with a list of available key tools and supports. A list of these tools is posted on the School Business Support Branch website at: https://sbsb.edu.gov.on.ca/.

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

Original signed by:

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