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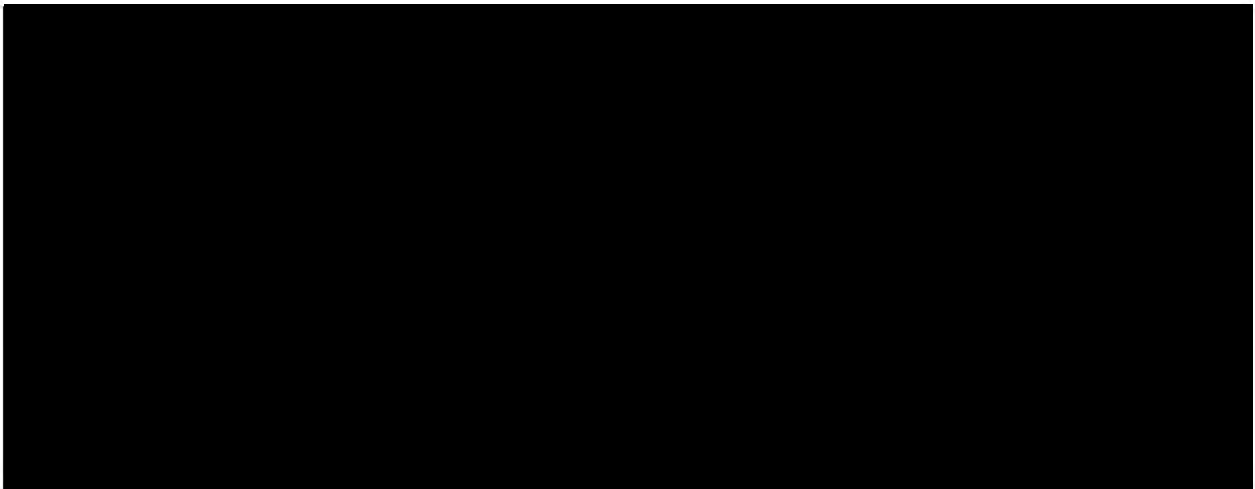
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

September 30, 2013

Arthur Zeidman, Regional Director
United States Department of Education
Office for Civil Rights
50 Beale Street, Suite 7200
San Francisco, CA 94105

RE: [REDACTED] Request for Closure of Investigation

Dear Mr. Zeidman



OCR's case management standards direct closure of this investigation.

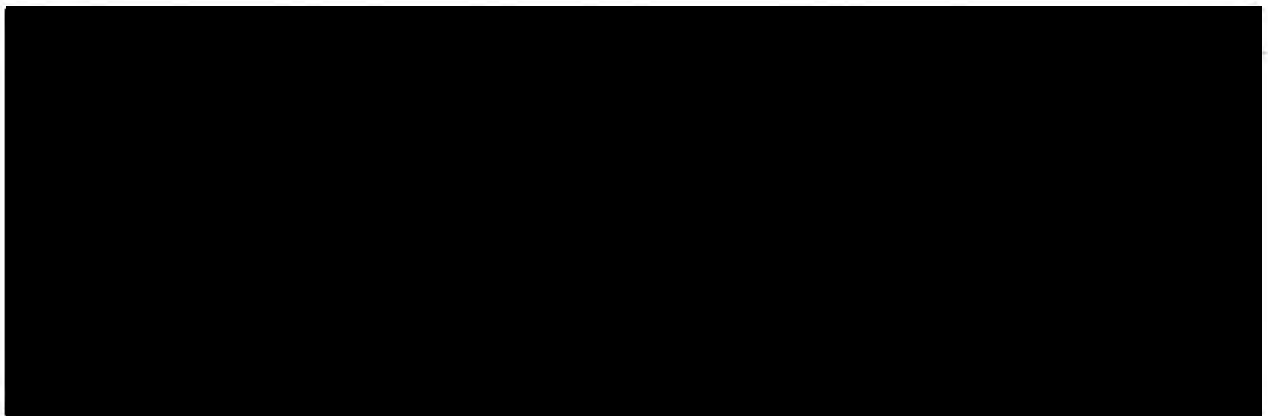
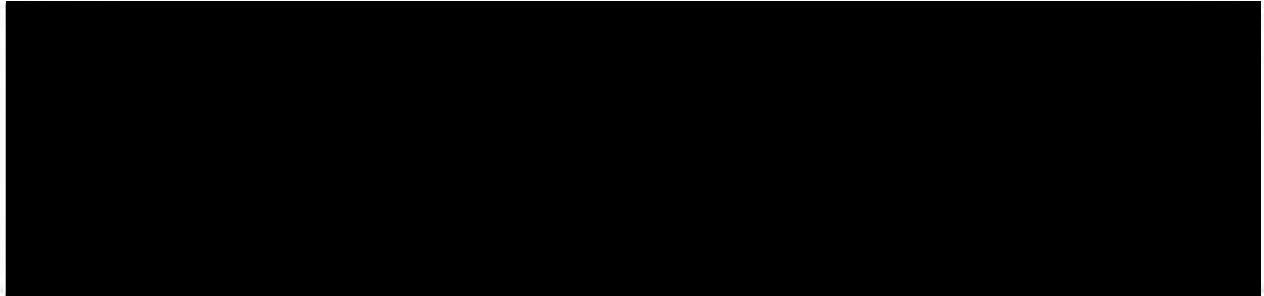
OCR's Case Processing Manual, Section 110(e) provides that OCR will close a complaint if:


OCR obtains credible information indicating the allegations raised by the complaint¹ have been resolved, and there are no class-wide allegations. In such a case, OCR will attempt to ascertain the apparent resolution. If OCR determines there are no current allegations appropriate for further complaint resolution, the complaint will be closed.

¹ Article V of OCR's Case Processing Manual states that "investigation procedures identified in the manual for complaint resolution should be utilized for compliance reviews, where appropriate."

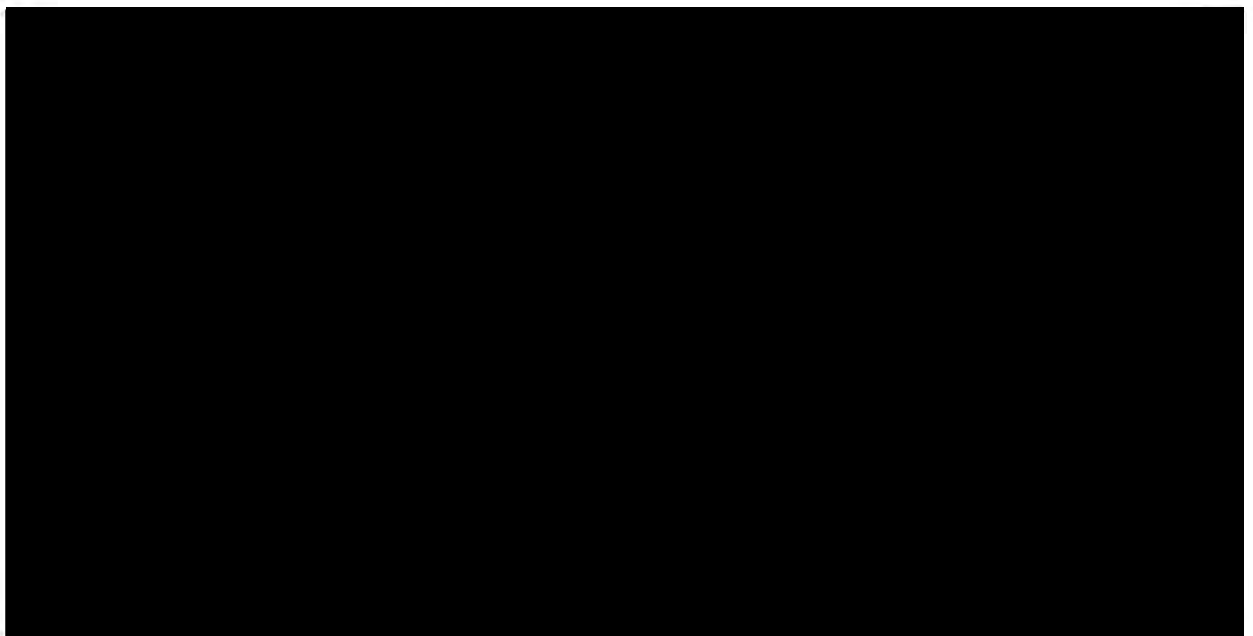
Section 110(o) also provides for closure when the allegations are moot because:

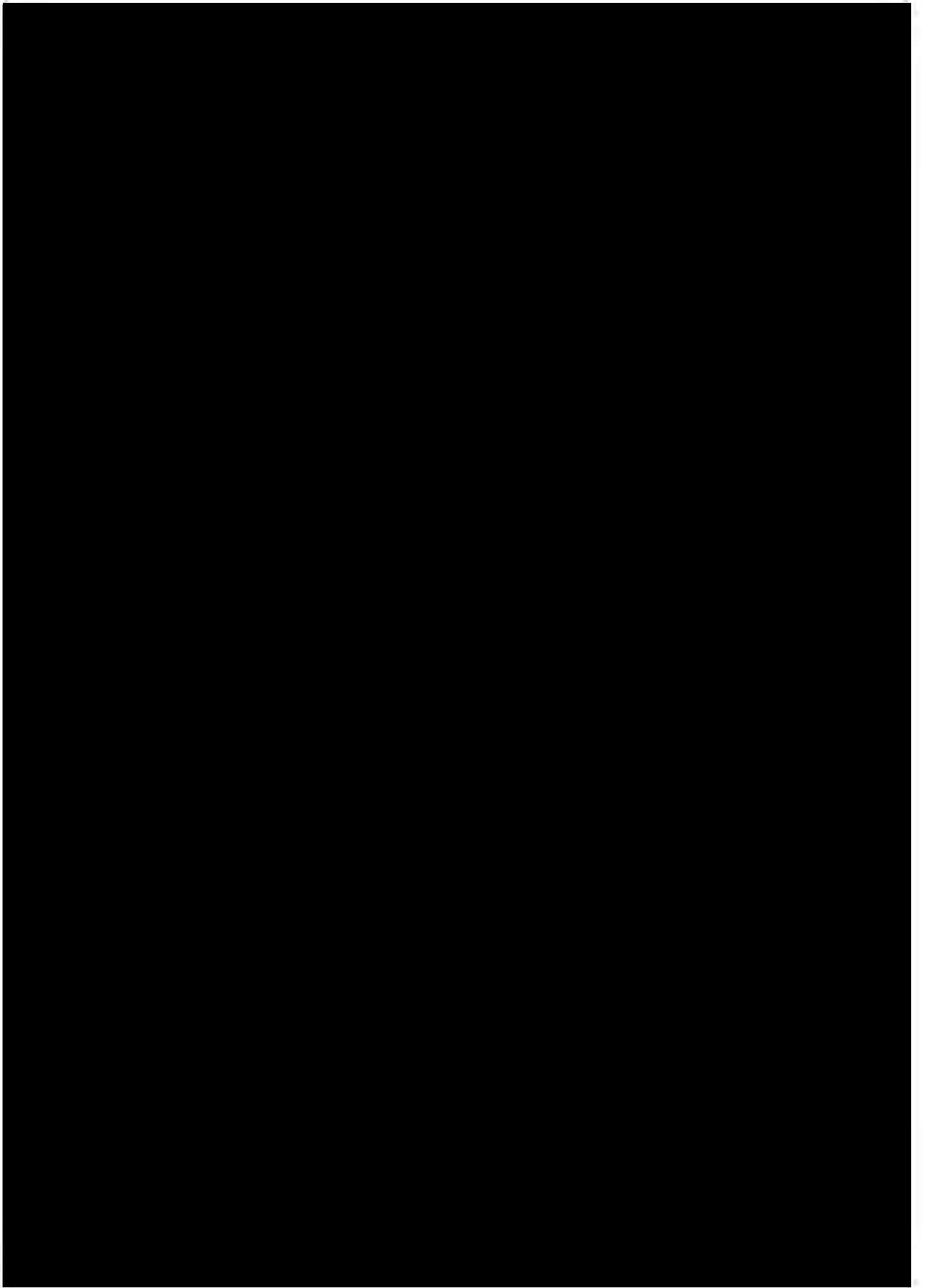
1. There are no current allegations appropriate for further investigation and resolution;
2. There are no class-wide allegations; and
3. There is no need for the recipient to change its policies or procedures in order to protect against a future violation.

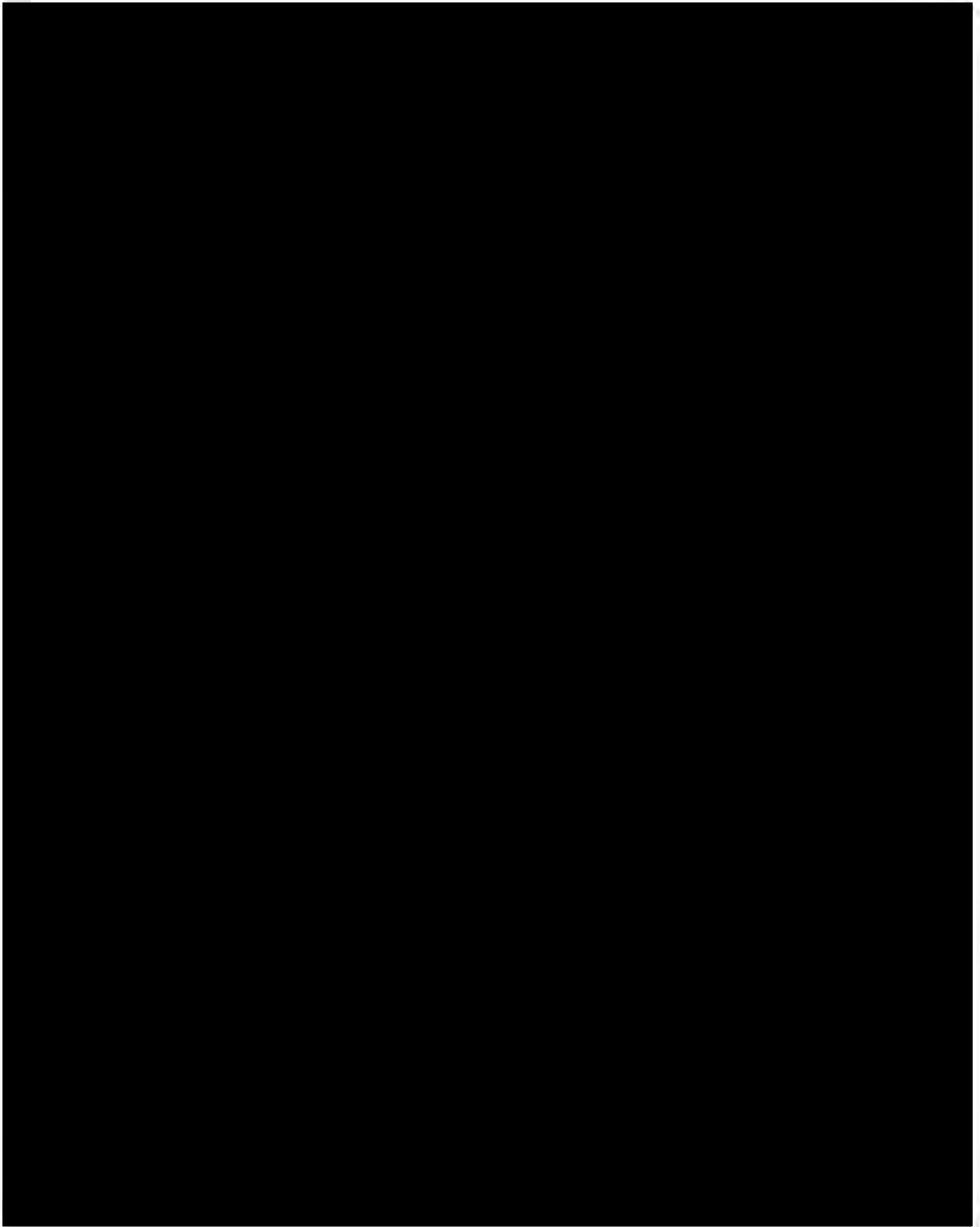


 The information shows why this investigation may be promptly closed under Section 110(e) and 110(o) of OCR's Case Processing Manual and the objective agreed upon in our July 2 meeting.

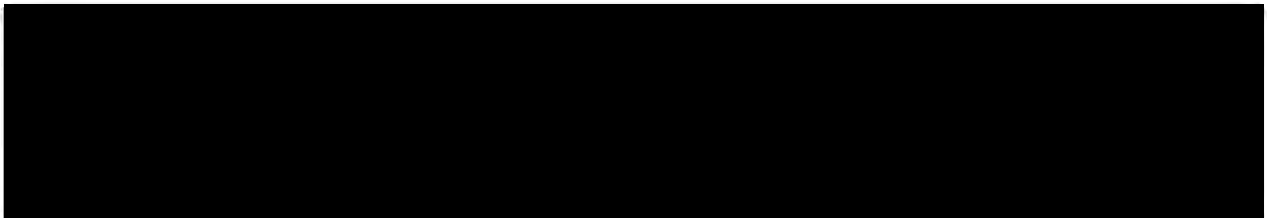
Let me summarize the information provided:








Conclusion





Sincerely



Kevin Skelly, Ph.D.
Superintendent

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