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AB 841 Round 5 Application Extension Request

Refer to the attached request for the extension of the Round 5 application deadline for submission.

Additional submitted attachment is included below.



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Our scholars have the academic skills and personal characteristics to continue their learning journey, pursuing their passions and talents.

May 14, 2024

California Energy Commission
715 P Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: CalSHAPE Program Extension Request

To whom it may concern,

We hope this message finds you well. We are writing to formally request an extension for the deadline on the CalSHAPE program for Funding Round 5 U&R Grant applications, which is currently due on May 31st.

The latest CalSHAPE update suggests that applications should be submitted well in advance of the May 31st deadline since the CEC is not currently able to execute grant agreements after June 1st, 2024. This update impedes on the critical time needed to submit accurate and thorough applications as suggested.

MCS D requests the extension based on the following factors that caused delays in completing HVAC assessments: 1) State mandated testing; 2) weather; 3) vendor scheduling issues; and 4) vendor errors during scope. All of these were outside of the control of MCS D to perform the proper tasks to meet the requirements for the Round 5 application submission thus far. Additionally, given the importance of this application in enhancing our campuses and learning environment, the recent changes released, shortened timelines, and unforeseen challenges during project completions, had impacted the timely submission of applications and data.

We understand the procedural timelines and believe that an extension will enable many to submit a more comprehensive and detailed reporting on time. Ultimately benefiting our students and the program objectives. Thus, requesting to extend the application deadline to a minimum of July 31st.

We appreciate your support and are more than willing to discuss any concerns or questions you may have. We hope to continue contributing positively to our students' physical education and wellness with the support of the A&M and U&R programs.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Doug Williams".



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