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DATE: September 23, 2004
TO: Montana Board of Regents
FROM: Roger Barber, Deputy Commissioner for Academic & Student Affairs
SUBJECT: Level II Memorandum

The Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education received just one Level II proposal from the campuses of the Montana University System, since the last meeting of the Montana Board of Regents. The Level II request will be reviewed by the academic officers at this meeting, and will move to the action agenda of the Montana Board of Regents at subsequent meetings.

The new proposal is as follows:

Montana State University-Northern:

ITEM 124-2802-R0904: Montana State University-Northern requests permission to offer a certificate in welding. The proposed, one-year program would prepare students for the certified welder test administered by the American Welding Society. According to the documentation submitted by MSU-Northern, the proposed certificate will not require any additional resources on the part of the institution, since it already offers a “departmental” certificate in welding. This proposal will make that existing certificate an official part of the institution’s “degree and program” inventory; and the certificate will be awarded by MSU-Northern itself, if the credential is approved by the Montana Board of Regents.