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Claude Siders, Superintendent  
North Dickinson County School  
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Dear Superintendent Siders:

Thank you for promptly working with your local school board members to adopt a resolution that commits the district to develop a Service Consolidation Plan in compliance with Section 11(d) of the State School Aid Act. Attached is a copy of North Dickinson County School's Agreement which adds my signature to that of the Local School Board President and yours.

The next step taken by District Administration in the Service Consolidation effort would be to establish a team of stakeholders and then review the six (6) guidelines and the decision making process example as defined in my initial November 12, 2009 correspondence. Using those tools should provide the necessary framework to assure that your district implements the most cost effective, efficient cost sharing arrangements for the provision of district business and instructional services.

THANK YOU FOR BEING PROACTIVE!

Sincerely,

Michael P. Flanagan  
Superintendent of Public Instruction

cc: Johann Ostwald, Superintendent, Dickinson-Iron ISD

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