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To: W. G. Blodgett, Executive Secretary, Maine State Retirement System

From: Kay R. H. Evans, Assistant Attorney General

Re: Participation of Eastern Maine Development District in MSRS as Participating Local District

Your memo of September 7, 1978, asked for an opinion whether the Eastern Maine Development District would qualify as a local district under the provisions of 5 M.R.S.A. § 1001(11-A) as a local district so that its employees could become members of the Maine State Retirement System.

You supplied as background material with this memo the organization's articles of incorporation and its certificate of organization as a corporation under Title 13, Chapter 81, of the Maine Revised Statutes. These materials indicate that the Eastern Maine Development District is an "incorporated instrumentality. . . of one or more of (the State's) political subdivisions." It thus comes within the scope of the above statutory section. Accordingly, it is qualified to participate in the Maine State Retirement System as a local district.

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