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MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairpersons and Directors of Education
- All Catholic District School Boards

FROM: Beverley Eckensweiler, President

SUBJECT: Education Development Charges Update

On Friday October 12, 2018 Ontario Regulation 438/18 was released outlining revisions to education development charges (“EDC”) and the process through which school boards may pass education development charge by-laws. This regulation amends Ontario Regulation 20/98. In essence, the new regulation implements a temporary cap on EDC rate increases at their current level (as of August 31, 2018) and limits the ability of boards to change the areas in their by-laws that are subject to EDCs. Other changes include:

- Restricts additional boards from becoming eligible to pass a new EDC by-law;
- Streamlines some parts of the process requirements to be included in the background study supporting an EDC by-law application;
- Maintains the ability of boards to pass by-laws for a five year term;
- The regulation is effective as of October 12, 2018.

In addition, on Monday October 15, Assistant Deputy Minister Josh Paul sent a memorandum outlining the changes to regulation while noting the government’s intention to conduct a review of the education development charge policy framework.

OCSTA will indicate to the ministry its intention to participate in the EDC policy framework review.

If you have any questions, please contact Steve Andrews at sandrews@ocsta.on.ca or Dan Duszczyzyn at dduszczyzyn@ocsta.on.ca.