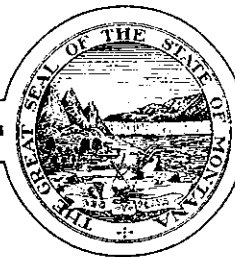


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Secretary Ken Salazar
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Re: Conveyance of Position Statements of the Association of Western State Engineers (AWSE)

Dear Secretary Salazar:

I am honored to convey to you the 2009 Position Statements of the Association of Western State Engineers. Please accept these position statements developed jointly by the Western State Engineers at our fall meeting, October 4-7, 2009 in Whitefish, Montana.

The position statements will be reviewed and updated at the 2010 fall meeting in Washington State, and I anticipate that any updates will be forwarded to you.

Respectfully,

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