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Dear Mr. Peters:

This refers to the 2011 North Carolina Session Laws 402 (S.B. 455), 403 (S.B. 453), and 404 (H.B. 937), which provide the 2011 redistricting plans for the State Senate, Congressional Delegation, and State House of Representatives, respectively, for the State of North Carolina, submitted to the Attorney General pursuant to Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, 42 U.S.C. 1973c. We received your submission on September 2, 2011; additional information was received through November 1, 2011. The information received on November 1 indicated that the spatial and statistical data that the State provided in connection with this submission accurately reflected the redistricting plans as intended to be adopted by the General Assembly.

The Attorney General does not interpose any objection to the specified changes. However, we note that Section 5 expressly provides that the failure of the Attorney General to object does not bar subsequent litigation to enjoin the enforcement of the changes. Procedures for the Administration of Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, 28 C.F.R. 51.41.

Sincerely,

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