Dear Student Loan Participant:

On February 16, 2012, the *Common Manual* Governing Board approved one proposal from Batch 184 to modify the *Common Manual*. The changes will be incorporated into the *Common Manual* with the publication of the next annual update. Enclosed are the following updates:

• School Definitions

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Sincerely,

Reitha Scott, Policy Manager Office of Student Financial Assistance

COMMON MANUAL UPDATES

School Definitions

The *Common Manual* incorporates definitions of "proprietary institution" and "postsecondary vocational institution." Manual text has been revised to use these terms consistently, as applicable, and to ensure the accurate use of existing defined terms such as "institution of higher education" and "school." Additional corrections of the same nature will be accomplished through the technical editing process.

Affected Sections: 2.3.B U.S. Department of Education Publications

4.1 Institutional Eligibility
4.1.C Maintaining Eligibility
4.1.D Loss of Eligibility

Appendix G

Effective Date: Retroactive to the implementation of the *Common Manual*,

except that provisions regarding a postsecondary program for students with intellectual disabilities are effective July 1, 2010.

Basis: HEA §101 and 102; §600.4; §600.5; §600.6; Federal Register

dated October 29, 2009, pp.55914 and 55947; 11-12 FSA Handbook, Volume 2, Chapter 1, pp. 2-2 to 2-8 and Chapter 2,

pp. 2-16 to 2-18.

Policy Information: 1262/Batch 184

Guarantor Comments: None.