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March 23, 2009

Bob Apetz
Board of Trustees President
Keller Independent School District
350 Keller Parkway
Keller, TX 76248

Dear Mr. Apetz:

We are pleased to confirm our understanding of the services we are to provide Keller Independent School District (the District) for the year ended August 31, 2009. We will audit the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements, of the District as of and for the year ended August 31, 2009. Accounting standards generally accepted in the United States provide for certain required supplementary information (RSI), such as management's discussion and analysis (MD&A), to accompany the District's basic financial statements. As part of our engagement, we will apply certain limited procedures to the District's RSI. These limited procedures will consist principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation, which management is responsible for affirming to us in its representation letter. Unless we encounter problems with the presentation of the RSI or with procedures relating to it, we will disclaim an opinion on it. The following RSI is required by generally accepted accounting principles and will be subjected to certain limited procedures, but will not be audited:

- 1) Management's Discussion and Analysis
- 2) General Fund's Budgetary Comparison Schedule

Supplementary information other than RSI also accompanies the District's basic financial statements. We will subject the following supplementary information to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and will provide an opinion on it in relation to the basic financial statements:

- 1) Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
- 2) Combining Nonmajor Fund Financial Statements and Schedules
- 3) Required TEA Schedules

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The following additional information accompanying the basic financial statements will not be subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the financial statements, and for which our auditor's report will disclaim an opinion.

- 1) The Introductory Section
- 2) The Statistical Section

Audit Objectives

The objective of our audit is the expression of opinions as to whether your basic financial statements are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and to report on the fairness of the additional information referred to in the first paragraph when considered in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The objective also includes reporting on—

- Internal control related to the financial statements and compliance with laws, regulations, and the provisions of contracts or grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a material effect on the financial statements in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.
- Internal control related to major programs and an opinion (or disclaimer of opinion) on compliance with laws, regulations, and the provisions of contracts or grant agreements that could have a direct and material effect on each major program in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*.

The reports on internal control and compliance will each include a statement that the report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the body or individuals charged with governance, others within the entity specific legislative or regulatory bodies, federal awarding agencies, and if applicable, pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Our audit will be conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards established by the Auditing Standards Board (United States); the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996; and the provisions of OMB Circular A-133, and will

include tests of accounting records, a determination of major program(s) in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, and other procedures we consider necessary to enable us to express such opinions and to render the required reports. If our opinions on the financial statements or the Single Audit compliance opinions are other than unqualified, we will fully discuss the reasons with you in advance. If, for any reason, we are unable to complete the audit or are unable to form or have not formed opinions, we may decline to express opinions or to issue a report as a result of this engagement.

Management Responsibilities

Management is responsible for the basic financial statements and all accompanying information as well as all representations contained therein. You are responsible for making all management decisions and performing all management functions relating to the financial statements, schedule of expenditures of federal awards, and related notes and for accepting full responsibility for such decisions. You will be required to acknowledge in the management representation letter that you have reviewed and approved the financial statements, schedule of expenditures of federal awards, and related notes prior to their issuance and have accepted responsibility for them. Further, you are required to designate an individual with suitable skill, knowledge, or experience to oversee any nonaudit services we provide and for evaluating the adequacy and results of those services and accepting responsibility for them.

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal controls, including monitoring ongoing activities; for the selection and application of accounting principles; for the fair presentation in the financial statements of the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles; and for federal award program compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements.

Management is also responsible for making all financial records and related information available to us, including identifying significant vendor relationships in which the vendor has responsibility for program compliance and for the accuracy and completeness of that information. Your responsibilities include adjusting the financial statements to correct material misstatements and

confirming to us in the representation letter that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the latest period presented are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole.

You are responsible for the design and implementation of programs and controls to prevent and detect fraud, and for informing us about all known or suspected fraud or illegal acts affecting the government involving (1) management, (2) employees who have significant roles in internal control, and (3) others where the fraud or illegal acts could have a material effect on the financial statements. Your responsibilities include informing us of your knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the government received in communications from employees, former employees, grantors, regulators, or others. In addition, you are responsible for identifying and ensuring that the entity complies with applicable laws, regulations, contracts, agreements, and grants. Additionally, as required by OMB Circular A-133, it is management's responsibility to follow up and take corrective action on reported audit findings and to prepare a summary schedule of prior audit findings and a corrective action plan.

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining a process for tracking the status of audit findings and recommendations. Management is also responsible for identifying for us previous audits or other engagements or studies related to the objectives discussed in the Audit Objectives section of this letter. This responsibility includes relaying to us corrective actions taken to address significant findings and recommendations resulting from those audits or other engagements or studies. You are also responsible for providing management's views on our current findings, conclusions, and recommendations, as well as your planned corrective actions.

Audit Procedures—General

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements; therefore, our audit will involve judgment about the number of transactions to be examined and the areas to be tested. We will plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable rather than absolute assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether from (1) errors, (2) fraudulent financial reporting, (3) misappropriation of assets, or (4) violations of laws or governmental regulations that are attributable to the entity or to acts by management or employees acting on behalf of the entity.

Because the determination of abuse is subjective, *Government Auditing Standards* do not expect auditors to provide reasonable assurance of detecting abuse.

Because an audit is designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute assurance and because we will not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, there is a risk that material misstatements or noncompliance may exist and not be detected by us. In addition, an audit is not designed to detect immaterial misstatements or violations of laws or governmental regulations that do not have a direct and material effect on the financial statements or major programs. However, we will inform you of any material errors and any fraudulent financial reporting or misappropriation of assets that come to our attention. We will also inform you of any violations of laws or governmental regulations that come to our attention, unless clearly inconsequential. We will include such matters in the reports required for a Single Audit. Our responsibility as auditors is limited to the period covered by our audit and does not extend to any later periods for which we are not engaged as auditors.

Our procedures will include tests of documentary evidence supporting the transactions recorded in the accounts, and may include tests of the physical existence of inventories, and direct confirmation of receivables and certain other assets and liabilities by correspondence with selected individuals, funding sources, creditors, and financial institutions. We will request written representations from your attorneys as part of the engagement, and they may bill you for responding to this inquiry. At the conclusion of our audit, we will require certain written representations from you about the financial statements and related matters.

Audit Procedures—Internal Controls

Our audit will include obtaining an understanding of the entity and its environment, including internal control, sufficient to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements and to design the nature, timing, and extent of further audit procedures. Tests of controls may be performed to test the effectiveness of certain controls that we consider relevant to preventing and detecting errors and fraud that are material to the financial statements and to preventing and detecting misstatements resulting from illegal acts and other noncompliance matters that have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. Our tests, if performed, will be less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on internal control and, accordingly, no opinion will be

expressed in our report on internal control issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards*.

As required by OMB Circular A-133, we will perform tests of controls over compliance to evaluate the effectiveness of the design and operation of controls that we consider relevant to preventing or detecting material noncompliance with compliance requirements applicable to each major federal award program. However, our tests will be less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on those controls and, accordingly, no opinion will be expressed in our report on internal control issued pursuant to OMB Circular A-133.

An audit is not designed to provide assurance on internal control or to identify significant deficiencies. However, during the audit, we will communicate to management and those charged with governance internal control related matters that are required to be communicated under AICPA professional standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and OMB Circular A-133.

Audit Procedures—Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, we will perform tests of the District's compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and agreements, including grant agreements. However, the objective of those procedures will not be to provide an opinion on overall compliance and we will not express such an opinion in our report on compliance issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards*.

OMB Circular A-133 requires that we also plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the auditee has complied with applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements applicable to major programs. Our procedures will consist of tests of transactions and other applicable procedures described in the *OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* for the types of compliance requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each of the District's major programs. The purpose of these procedures will be to express an opinion on the District's compliance with requirements applicable to each of its major programs in our report on compliance issued pursuant to OMB Circular A-133.

Audit Administration, Fees, and Other

We understand that your employees will prepare all cash, accounts receivable, or other confirmations we request and will locate any documents selected by us for testing.

At the conclusion of the engagement, we will complete the appropriate sections of and sign the Data Collection Form that summarizes our audit findings. We will provide copies of our reports to District; however, it is management's responsibility to submit the reporting package (including financial statements, schedule of expenditures of federal awards, summary schedule of prior audit findings, auditors' reports, and corrective action plan) along with the Data Collection Form to the designated federal clearinghouse and, if appropriate, to pass-through entities. The Data Collection Form and the reporting package must be submitted within the earlier of 30 days after receipt of the auditors' reports or nine months after the end of the audit period, unless a longer period is agreed to in advance by the cognizant or oversight agency for audits. At the conclusion of the engagement, we will provide information to management as to where the reporting packages should be submitted and the number to submit.

The audit documentation for this engagement is the property of Weaver and Tidwell, LLP and constitutes confidential information. However, pursuant to authority given by law or regulation, we may be requested to make certain audit documentation available to the cognizant audit agency (or its designee), a federal agency providing direct or indirect funding, or the United States General Accounting Office for purposes of a quality review of the audit, to resolve audit findings, or to carry out oversight responsibilities. We will notify you of any such request. If requested, access to such workpapers will be provided under the supervision of Weaver and Tidwell, LLP personnel. Furthermore, upon request, we may provide photocopies of selected audit documentation to the aforementioned parties. These parties may intend, or decide, to distribute the photocopies or information contained therein to others, including other governmental agencies.

The audit documentation for this engagement will be retained for a minimum of three years after the date the auditors' report is issued. If we are aware that a federal awarding agency is contesting an audit finding, we will contact the party(ies) contesting the audit finding for guidance prior to destroying the audit documentation

During the course of our engagement, we will request information and explanations from management regarding the Company's operations, internal controls, future plans, specific transactions and accounting systems and procedures. At the conclusion of our engagement, we will require, as a precondition to the issuance of our report, that management provide certain representations in a written representation letter. The Company agrees that as a condition of our engagement to perform an audit, that management will, to the best of its knowledge and belief, be truthful, accurate and complete in all representations made to us during the course of the audit and in the written representation letter. The procedures we perform in our engagement and the conclusions we reach as a basis for our report will be heavily influenced by the written and oral representations that we receive from management. False or misleading representations could cause us to expend unnecessary efforts in the audit; or, worse, could cause a material error or a fraud to go undetected by our procedures. Thus, the Company agrees that we will not be liable for any damages or otherwise responsible for any misstatements in the Company's financial statements that we may fail to detect as a result of false or misleading representations that are made to us by management. Moreover, the Company agrees to indemnify and hold us harmless from any claims and liabilities, including reasonable attorneys' fees, expert fees and costs of investigation and defense, arising out of or related to this engagement if false or misleading representations are made to us by any member of the Company's management.

The assistance to be supplied by your personnel, including the preparation of schedules and analyses of accounts, will be discussed with you.

In addition, we understand that your employees will prepare all cash, accounts receivable, and other confirmations we request and will locate any documents selected by us for testing. The timely completion of this work will help us complete our audit on a timely basis.

Both of us agree that any dispute between you and Weaver and Tidwell, L.L.P., arising from the engagement, this agreement, or the breach of it, may, if negotiations and other discussion fail, be first submitted to mediation in accordance with the provisions of the Commercial Mediation Rules of the American Arbitration Association ("AAA") then in effect. Both of us agree to conduct any mediation in good faith and make reasonable efforts to resolve any dispute by mediation. Mediation is not a pre-condition to the arbitration provided for below and the failure or refusal by either party to request or participate in mediation shall not preclude the

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right of either party to initiate arbitration. We agree to conduct the mediation in Fort Worth, Texas, or another mutually agreed upon location.

Both of us agree that any dispute arising from the engagement, this agreement or the breach of it shall be subject to binding arbitration under the provisions of the Federal Arbitration Act (9 U.S.C. § 1, *et seq.*) and of the Dispute Resolution Rules for Professional Accounting and Related Services Disputes of the AAA (the "Rules"), and judgment on the award rendered by the arbitrator may be entered in any court of competent jurisdiction. The arbitration shall be heard before one or more arbitrators selected in accordance with the Rules. The parties agree to conduct the arbitration in Fort Worth, Texas, or another mutually agreed upon location. The arbitrator may only award direct damages and may not award consequential, exemplary, or punitive damages. The prevailing party in any arbitration or litigation shall be entitled to recover from the other party reasonable attorneys' and expert witness fees, court costs, and the administrative costs, arbitrator's fees, and expenses of the AAA incurred in the arbitration or litigation in addition to any other relief that may be awarded.

Notwithstanding the provisions of the immediately preceding paragraph, neither of us shall be compelled to arbitrate any dispute between us which arises out of any claim asserted against either of us by a third party, unless the third party (whether one or more) agrees to join the arbitration or can be compelled to join it.

If any term of this engagement letter is declared illegal, unenforceable, or unconscionable, that term shall be severed and the remaining terms of the engagement letter shall remain in force. Both of us agree that the arbitrator(s) or Court, as the case may be, should modify any term declared to be illegal, unenforceable, or unconscionable in a manner that will retain the intended term as closely as possible. If a dispute arising from the engagement or from this agreement or any term of it or any alleged breach of it is submitted to a Court for interpretation or adjudication, both of us irrevocably waive right to trial by jury and agree that the provisions of this engagement letter regarding damages, attorneys' fees, and expenses shall be applied and enforced by the Court.

In the unlikely event that circumstances occur which we in our sole discretion believe could create a conflict with either the ethical standards of our firm or the ethical standards of our profession in continuing our engagement, we may suspend our services until a satisfactory resolution can be achieved or we may resign from the engagement. We will notify you of such conflict as soon as practicable, and will

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discuss with you any possible means of resolving them prior to suspending our services.

Mr. Kerry Caves is the engagement partner and is responsible for supervising the engagement and signing the report on behalf of Weaver and Tidwell, L.L.P.

Our fees are based on the time required by the individuals assigned to the engagement, plus direct expenses. Individual hourly rates vary according to the degree of responsibility involved and the skill required. Our fee for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2009 will be \$60,400 for the audit of the District's financial statements. Interim billings will be submitted as work progresses and as expenses are incurred. Payments are due upon receipt of our statement. Interest on any past-due amounts shall be calculated as provided by Texas Government Code Section 2251.025.

We appreciate the opportunity to be of service to the Keller Independent School District and believe this letter accurately summarizes the significant terms of our engagement. If you have any questions, please let us know. If you agree with the terms of our engagement as described in this letter, please sign the enclosed copy and return it to us.

Yours truly,

Weaver and Tidwell, L.L.P.

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Enclosure
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RESPONSE:

This letter correctly sets forth the understanding of Keller Independent School District.

Officer signature: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____