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Dear Ms. Brown:

This refers to the 1992 and 2011 redistricting plans for the Beeville Independent School District in Bee County, Texas, 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 December 20, 2011; additional information was received on January 3, 2012.

The Attorney General does not interpose any objection to the 2011 redistricting plan. 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 change. Procedures for the Administration of Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, 28 C.F.R. 51.41.

With respect to the 1992 plan, you have advised us that this change was superseded by 2011 redistricting plan. Accordingly, no determination by the Attorney General is required or appropriate concerning this matter. 28 C.F.R. 51.25 and 51.35.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. Christian Herren, Jr.", written over a printed name and title.

T. Christian Herren, Jr.
Chief, Voting Section