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CalPERS
Attention Member Services Division
Darryl Watson, Division Chief
P O Box 942704
Sacramento, California 94229

Dear Mr Watson

I'm in receipt of Ms Heather Hurff's letter dated June 30, 2009 indicating that as a result of confusion, CalPERS is no longer able to acknowledge previous representations to me as having established reciprocity with LACERA Please consider this as my formal appeal of that decision in accordance with the applicable California code of regulations cited in her letter

I believe the facts contained in correspondence I received from CalPERS over the past five years (copies attached), clearly indicates that reciprocity had been established and that the only questionable aspect of both letters was the monthly benefit estimate which relied on salary information I provided Furthermore, when discussing other benefit options over the phone with CalPERS during this period, CalPERS representatives re-confirmed that reciprocity between CalPERS and LACERA had been established When I filed my Service Retirement Election Application at the Glendale office, the representative who reviewed my application re-confirmed reciprocity information against database record before submitting it for processing

While I'm not familiar with all the statues and regulations that apply to this particular situation, I can represent that I relied on the information provided to me by CalPERS as it pertained to benefits as well as determining my retirement from public service I believe the circumstances surrounding this matter deserves close consideration of all applicable administrative policies and laws designed to remedy misunderstandings that have life long consequences

Your favorable consideration in this matter is appreciated

Sincerely,

Fred Guido

Enclosure

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