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From: Beth Brennan [bethbrennan@msn.com]**Sent:** Monday, June 16, 2008 2:16 PM**To:** j buckheit@state.pa.us; andydinniman@pasenate.com**Subject:** No to GCAINDEPENDENT REGULATORY
REVIEW COMMISSION

Dear Mr. Buckheit,

We are writing to express our opposition to the GCAs.

We are opposed because our children are already tested in math, reading, and science through the state PSSA exams. More testing will result in less instructional days and more days devoted to preparing children for the test. Let the teachers teach and the children learn and stop additional standardized testing.

We are opposed because additional testing would impose an unreasonable load of testing on students who are already facing a burden of stressful standardized test.

We are opposed because one test can not possibly define a student and their knowledge and abilities.

Stop looking to standardized testing to fix or improve education.

Sincerely,
Dan and Beth Brennan