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Good morning,

I am well. I hope all is well with you too.

Please see my replies below in **green**. Thank you for checking!

Thanks, Gina

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Good Morning Gina,

I hope this message finds you and your family well!

We received notification from the Chancellor's Office of the Proposed Regulation 6-339 re State Authorization for Distance Education, which is great that this is being revisited.

Would you be able to confirm or provide further clarification of our understanding of the proposed regulations?

- Due to the unexpected institutional participation in PA SARA during its initial membership stage, PDE is now able to reduce membership costs. **This is correct.**

- The new fee schedule will go into effect beginning January 1, 2023 and will be based on DE revenue from 2022 calendar year. **This is the anticipated date.**
- Until January 2023, institutions will continue not paying a PA SARA membership fee. **This is correct.**
- Most (majority of) institutions will benefit from the new fee schedule as PA SARA membership costs at the maximum level has been reduced from \$60,000 to \$7,000. **This is correct.**
 - Lowest level is \$1,000
 - Highest level is \$7,000

Thanks in advanced for your assistance!

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