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As requested, I am updating you on First Steps.

As I am sure you know, their audit was released a few days ago: http://lac.sc.gov/LAC_Reports/2013/Pages/SCFirstSteps.aspx

Attached is my synopsis of the points made in the audit, in case this format would be helpful.

Christian had asked me for potential board members; I had given that list to someone else in the Governor's office who had originally asked for it; I spoke with John Carroll and he was going to locate it for you. If you need me to work on a new list, I will be happy to do so.

The First Steps board meeting was Thursday. I was not able to attend, but sent a representative. Apparently, it was a rather bizarre circus. I know Kim Aydlette was there and she has expressed her willingness to discuss with you what happened in the meeting. JW Ragley was also there; perhaps he would be willing to share his thoughts.

I know this is a very busy time for you – and I am out all next week. If you would like to meet about this after that I would be glad to. Just let me know.

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