



STATE OF VERMONT
JOINT FISCAL COMMITTEE

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Neale Lunderville
Secretary of Administration
109 State Street
Montpelier, VT, 05609-0201

Jes Kraus, Director
Vermont State Employees Association
155 State Street, P.O. Box 518,
Montpelier, VT 05601

Dear Secretary Lunderville and Director Kraus:

We would like to express our disappointment with both the Administration and the VSEA in not reaching an agreement on the \$7.4 million of personnel savings for FY10 as approved in the August 2009 rescission plan. We urge the parties to reach a settlement of the fiscal year 2010 savings target without additional layoffs; and we ask the parties to address the level and means of achieving long term savings for future years in the bargaining process for FY2011 and FY2012.

In any respect, we ask the Administration to report to the Joint Fiscal Committee on the outcome of these negotiations at the meeting scheduled for October 28, 2009.

Sincerely,

Michael Obuchowski
Chair, Joint Fiscal Committee

Martha Heath
Chair, House Appropriations

Susan Bartlett
Chair, Senate Appropriations

Ann Cummings
Chair, Senate Finance Committee