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To: Dr. Marguerite Vanden Wyngaard, Superintendent, Albany City School District and the Public and Non-public Schools in the Same Geographic Area as the Charter School.

From: NYS Ed. Dept. Charter School Office (on behalf of the NYS Board of Regents)

- **Re:** Notice of Receipt of Pending Action on a Charter School Revision
- Date: January 13, 2016

The application for this school is being reviewed for possible action at an upcoming Board of Regents meeting.

Please note that pursuant to Education Law section 2857(1) and 8 NYCRR 119.4 (available at <u>http://www.p12.nysed.gov/psc/law.html</u>), the school district of location is required to hold a public hearing to solicit comments from the community in connection with the foregoing revision. These hearings, which are required to be held within the community that is potentially impacted by the charter school, must be held within 30 days of your receipt of this letter.

Please provide the following required documentation:

- A copy of the public hearing notice must be provided to the Charter School Office at the time of dissemination.
- Written confirmation that this hearing was held must be sent to the Charter School Office no later than the next business day following the hearing.
- Copies of any and all written records or comments generated from this hearing must be sent to the Charter School Office within 15 business days after the hearing.

All documentation listed above should be submitted electronically to <u>charterschools@nysed.gov</u> (the subject line of the email should include the NAME OF PROPOSED CHARTER SCHOOL *Public Hearing*).

In addition, the Board of Regents welcomes your comments on the proposed charter school, including those related to the programmatic and fiscal impact of the proposed charter school or other public and non-public schools in the area. Comments should be submitted to <u>charterschools@nysed.gov</u> or the physical address in the letterhead of this memo. The subject line of the email should read: School District Response to Charter School Revision.

If you have any questions, please contact the New York State Education Department, Charter School Office at (518) 474-1762. Thank you.

Name of Charter School:	Brighter Choice Charter School for Girls
BEDS Code:	010100860830
District:	Albany City School District
Type of Regents Item:	Revision Request
Management Company:	None
Partner(s):	None
Grades (2015 - 2016):	K-4
Enrollment (2015 - 2016):	270
Proposed Revision:	 Brighter Choice Charter School for Girls seeks to merge with Brighter Choice Charter School for Boys, with Brighter Choice Charter School for Girls as the surviving education corporation under the amended name "Brighter Choice Elementary Schools." Brighter Choice Charter School for Girls also seeks to increase the School's grades served and total chartered enrollment. The request is to serve grades K-5 with a maximum of 325 students, commencing in school year 2016-2017.