FORM A - BUDGET PLAN SUMMARY

For FY 2019-20, my agency is (mark “X”):
- Requesting General Fund Appropriations.
- Requesting Federal/Other Authorization.
- X Not requesting any changes.

For FY 2019-20, my agency is (mark “X”):
- Requesting Non-Recurring Appropriations.
- Requesting Non-Recurring Federal/Other Authorization.
- X Not requesting any changes.

For FY 2019-20, my agency is (mark “X”):
- Requesting funding for Capital Projects.
- X Not requesting any changes.

For FY 2019-20, my agency is (mark “X”):
- Requesting a new proviso and/or substantive changes to existing provisos.
- Only requesting technical proviso changes (such as date references).
- X Not requesting any proviso changes.

Please identify your agency’s preferred contacts for this year’s budget process.

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I have reviewed and approved the enclosed FY 2019-20 Agency Budget Plan, which is complete and accurate to the extent of my knowledge.

Agency Director

Melanie D. Barton
August 23, 2018

Board or Commission Chair

Neil C. Robinson, Jr.

This form must be signed by the agency head – not a delegate.
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<th><strong>FORM E – AGENCY COST SAVINGS AND GENERAL FUND REDUCTION CONTINGENCY PLAN</strong></th>
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*What is the General Fund 3% reduction amount (minimum based on the FY 2018-19 recurring appropriations)? This amount should correspond to the reduction spreadsheet prepared by EBO.*

| **ASSOCIATED FTE REDuctions** | None |

*How many FTEs would be reduced in association with this General Fund reduction?*

| **PROGRAM/ACTIVITY IMPACT** | No impact - The reduction would occur in the agency’s administrative budget. |

*What programs or activities are supported by the General Funds identified?*
The EOC receives $1,793,242 in appropriations of EIA revenues. Of this amount, $500,000 by proviso is allocated to the SC Autism Society. The balance, $1,293,242 would absorb a three percent reduction. The EOC would use its contingency fund to offset any shortfall in EIA revenues. Annually, the EOC sets aside 10 percent of the funds appropriated in a contingency fund to absorb any mid-year reduction in EIA revenues or to offset unexpected expenses. There would be no impact on service delivery.

Please provide a detailed summary of service delivery impact caused by a reduction in General Fund Appropriations and provide the method of calculation for anticipated reductions. Agencies should prioritize reduction in expenditures that have the least significant impact on service delivery.

The EOC’s operating budget is approximately $1,293,242. The agency already operates very efficiently. Currently, the agency is reducing costs by procuring several evaluations using other state entities (like the University of South Carolina and Clemson) or retired educators instead of hiring full-time staff. To further reduce costs, the agency would not fill any vacancies that might occur through retirement.

What measures does the agency plan to implement to reduce its costs and operating expenses by more than $50,000? Provide a summary of the measures taken and the estimated amount of savings. How does the agency plan to repurpose the savings?
## FORM F – REDUCING COST AND BURDEN TO BUSINESSES AND CITIZENS

### TITLE
Release of website, [www.expectmoresc.com](http://www.expectmoresc.com), in November of 2018

*Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.*

### EXPECTED SAVINGS TO BUSINESSES AND CITIZENS
The goal of the website is to inform South Carolinians about why education matters and why improving the outcomes for students matters to our students, our state’s economy and our communities. The website will contain information on how to become involved in improving local schools.

*What is the expected savings to South Carolina’s businesses and citizens that is generated by this proposal? The savings could be related to time or money.*

### FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST
Mark “X” for all that apply:

- [ ] Repeal or revision of regulations.
- [x] Reduction of agency fees or fines to businesses or citizens.
- [x] Greater efficiency in agency services or reduction in compliance burden.
- [ ] Other

### METHOD OF CALCULATION
The EOC will document usage of the website, especially how many users access tips and information to engage in and improve local schools.

*Describe the method of calculation for determining the expected cost or time savings to businesses or citizens.*

### REDUCTION OF FEES OR FINES
EOC does not charge fees

*Which fees or fines does the agency intend to reduce? What was the fine or fee revenue for the previous fiscal year? What was the associated program expenditure for the previous fiscal year? What is the enabling authority for the issuance of the fee or fine?*

### REDUCTION OF REGULATION
EOC does not promulgate regulations.

*Which regulations does the agency intend to amend or delete? What is the enabling authority for the regulation?*
**Summary**

Improving public education outcomes is imperative to the economic development of our state and its local communities. Reminding the public of this critical link and empowering the public to take steps to improve local schools is critical to the state’s economic future, which will in turn benefit our citizens. Some of the statistics on the website show the direct link between local educational attainment and reductions in earnings, increases in social welfare programs, and increases in crime. Education is the key to the state’s future economic success.

In Fiscal Year 2017-18 the agency paid for the creation of the website. In Fiscal Year 2018-19 the agency will conduct a public awareness campaign to engage the public in using the tools and information on the website to improve public schools. Existing EIA (other fund) resources will be used.

*Provide an explanation of the proposal and its positive results on businesses or citizens. How will the request affect agency operations?*