

STATE OF COLORADO

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION



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Dr. Edward Bastian
President
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Dear Dr. Bastian,

I appreciate you taking the time to meet with me regarding your status as a Category II authorized institution.

After reviewing the situation with Dr. Julie Carnahan, Chief Academic Officer of the Colorado Department of Higher Education, it has been decided that Spiritual Paths Institute must be deemed as a Preliminary Authorized institution from the State's perspective and must operate under the new statute and policy (C.R.S. 23-1-101). Under this new law and Department policy, the institution must formally request a request to proceed as a state authorized institution under the preliminary category, an application fee will be assessed by the Department and the institution will undergo an institutional review by a designated evaluation team.

I request that you send us a notice of intent pertaining to how your institution will proceed. Under the preliminary category, you will not be permitted to enroll, instruct, graduate or award degrees to students.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have further questions or concerns regarding this decision.

Sincerely,

Heather DeLange
Degree Authorization Act Officer