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Phone Call With Jim Robinson From the Title I Staff

1. They will send us their updated list of the designated Title I state agencies.

2. Robinson indicated that OMB is currently reviewing the entire Title I program, both in writing and orally, and has some real concerns about the lack of federal direction for the Title I program. OMB seems to feel that the states have essentially controlled the program to this point.

3. Robinson pointed out that one of their greatest problems at Title I is the lack of full time committed personnel for the state directerships who consider the position as a professional commitment and not as an immediate stepping stone to other endeavors.

4. He said that they are now scraping around for success stories, and "we know we have them" as part of their evaluation process. Remember, it is now almost seven years after the act was passed and the fact that they are hunting grounds for success stories would indicate that we are in the right direction in requesting the information we want from our state based groups.

5. OMB's recent interest in Title I may indicate a renewed life for that program, and perhaps even administration support for an increased appropriation next year.