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To the ESC and District Testing Coordinator and Bilingual/ESL Contact Addressed:

Subject: PowerPoints from the September 16, 2010 ELL Assessment Fall Update TETN

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This e-mail is to notify you that the following PowerPoints referenced in last Thursday's ELL Assessment Fall Update TETN are available on the ELL Assessments page of TEA's Student Assessment Division website at www.tea.state.tx.us/student.assessment/ell.

ELL Assessment Fall Update, Event #7871

Located in the Resources from Presentations section toward the bottom of the page, this PowerPoint provides information to assist district and ESC staff in planning for the assessment of ELLs this year. It also includes information about the new STAAR assessment program to be implemented in the 2011–2012 school year.

2010–2011 Holistic Rating Training Requirements

Located under the Rater Training for 2010–2011 heading toward the top of the page, this PowerPoint presentation summarizes the TELPAS holistic rating training requirements and processes, including those that have been modified and streamlined in accordance with the April 21, 2010 TEA notification to districts. The spring 2011 assessment manuals and training slides for testing coordinators will provide more detailed information.

The PowerPoints may also be accessed from the What's New list on the Student Assessment Division home page.

Please contact a member of the ELL Assessments team in the TEA Student Assessment Division at 512-463-9536 or send an e-mail to ell.tests@tea.state.tx.us if you have any questions.