

Appendix A – Acknowledgments

2017 Accountability Technical Advisory Committee (ATAC)

Representatives from districts and regional education service centers (ESCs) met in September 2016 and January 2017 to make recommendations to address major policy and technical issues for 2017 accountability.

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