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DR. ERIC J. SMITH, AS
COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION DIVISION OF
ADMINISTRATIVE
Petitioner, HEARINGS

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VS.

DOAH Case No. 09-0993

CHC PRIVATE SCHOOLS,

Respondent.

FINAL ORDER

This matter was initiated by the petition for hearing filed by CHC Private Schools (Respondent), requesting determination of whether Respondent's participation in the John M. McKay Scholarships for Students with Disabilities Program (McKay Scholarships) and the Corporate Income Tax Credit Scholarship Program (CTC Scholarships) should have been suspended, and whether Respondent's eligibility to participate in the programs should be revoked, based upon the Respondent's failure to maintain current fire code inspection reports and falsification of those reports. A formal hearing was held on March 19, 2009, in Titusville, Florida. In a Recommended Order issued on May 4, 2009, Administrative Law Judge Susan B. Harrell recommended that the Department of Education issue a final order sustaining the suspension of CHC from participation in the McKay and CTC Scholarship Programs, and revoking CHC's eligibility to participate in the McKay and CTC Scholarship Programs. The Recommended Order concluded that the Petitioner had grounds to immediately suspend

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CHC's eligibility to participate in the McKay and CTC Scholarship Programs, and that the evidence established that the actions of Respondent were so egregious as to warrant revocation of CHC's eligibility for the McKay and CTC Scholarship Programs. The parties did not file any exceptions.

A copy of the Recommended Order, attached hereto and made a part hereof, is hereby adopted in full and becomes the Final Order in this matter.

Based on the foregoing, the Department of Education finds that CHC's petition is hereby dismissed.

DONE AND ORDERED this _____ day of June, 2009, in Tallahassee, Florida.

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Commissioner of Education