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Agenda Item: II.G.

DATE: November 10, 2011

SUBJECT: Race to the Top Implementation Status

ACTION RECOMMENDED: Information

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Tennessee Higher Education Commission has been responsible for implementing several projects of the state's First to the Top initiatives, managing \$23 million in funding. THEC has been working closely with institutions of higher education and the TN Department of Education to ensure that the work aligns with the overall goals of education reform.

Staff will update Commission members on the implementation of the TVAAS training modules being created for teacher pre-service training, the UTeach replication sites, and the professional development opportunities available for higher education faculty who train future teachers.