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Luis Santos
President
Elgin Middlesex Soccer Association
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Dear Luis,

The Competitions Management Committee met on February 14, 2023 to review and discuss your letter of December 6, 2022 requesting to increase the number of teams allocated to EMSA in the Under 14 divisions of the Regional League to four teams, as well as a proposal from the Western Region Soccer League to increase the number of teams in the divisions from 8 to 10 teams.

The League's request to increase the Under 14 divisions from eight teams to ten teams was based on EMSA and Southwest Soccer requests for spots in the League as well as to potentially ensure population of the Under 15 divisions the following year.

The Competitions Management Committee reviewed the rationale and the impact on the player pathway from a technical perspective. At this time, the Committee does not feel that the numbers justify an increase in the number of teams at the Regional level for 2023 in the Under 14 divisions.

Subsequent to this decision being made, we received additional correspondence from you dated February 22, 2023 in which you indicate that the WRSL had increased the number of spots in the Under 14 divisions from 8 to 10 teams. Please be advised that this increase has not been approved by the Competitions Management Committee, which has the sole authority to do so in accordance with the Ontario Soccer Operational Procedures.

Sincerely,

Robyn McComb
Senior Manager, Competitions
Ontario Soccer

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Allan Field, Chair, Competitions Management Committee
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