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August 13, 2008

Dr. Joseph C. Rallo
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Dear Dr. Rallo:

The Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools is one of only a few accrediting commissions that conducts a comprehensive review of its institutions every ten years. Most accrediting agencies conduct such reviews every 5 to 7 years. The Department of Education requires accrediting agencies that it recognizes to monitor its institutions more often to ensure that institutions having access to federal funds continue to meet accreditation standards.

To that end, the Commission has developed a Fifth-Year Interim Report. The first class requested to submit the Report is the Reaffirmation Class of 2013, Track A (undergraduate institutions) and Track B (graduate institutions).

The report has five parts:

- Part 1: Signatures Attesting to Integrity
- Part II: An Abbreviated Institutional Summary Form Prepared for Commission Reviews
- Part III: An Abbreviated Compliance Certification
- Part IV: Additional report requested during the institution's last review by the Commission
- Part V: An Impact Report of the Quality Enhancement Plan

As an institution not previously reviewed under the *Principles of Accreditation* and not required to submit reports described in Parts IV and V above, you need only to complete Parts I, II, and III of the enclosed Fifth-Year Interim Report form. The form can be accessed on the Commission's Web site at www.sacscoc.org, click onto "Institutional Resources" and then click "Forms" to find the Fifth-Year Interim Report.

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Parts I and II are self-explanatory. Part III is a mini-version of the Commission's Compliance Certification and asks you to document on-going compliance with 14 of the 78 standards in the *Principles*. You will find that, even though your last review was under the *Criteria for Accreditation*, the 14 standards requiring a response in the *Principles* are very similar to those in the *Criteria*, but with less prescription.

Your completed report is due March 27, 2009, and may be submitted in print form, on DVD/CD, or both. Please refer to the General Directions on the form for more specific information. When submitting your report, please send **four copies** to your Commission staff member. Your Interim Report will be forwarded to the Commission on Colleges for review during its meeting June 22-24, 2009.

We wish you the best as you begin to work with the requirements of the *Principles*. If you have any questions regarding the process or the form, please feel free to contact your Commission staff member.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Belle S. Wheelan".

Belle S. Wheelan, Ph.D.
President
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c: Dr. Rudy S. Jackson

Enclosures