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February 11, 2013

Mr. Henry Yong President Evergreen Valley College 3095 Yerba Buena Road San Jose, CA 95135

Dear President Yong:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting January 9-11, 2013, reviewed the Follow-Up Report submitted by the College and the report of the evaluation team that visited October 29-30, 2012. The purpose of this review was to assure that the recommendations made by the evaluation team were addressed by the institution, that the associated deficiencies had been resolved, and that Eligibility Requirements, Accreditation Standards, and Commission policies are met.

The Commission took action to remove Warning and reaffirm accreditation.

I have previously sent you a copy of the External Evaluation Team Report. Additional copies may now be duplicated. The Commission requires that you give the report and this letter appropriate dissemination to your college staff and to those who were signatories of your college report. This group should include the Chancellor, campus leadership, and the Board of Trustees.

The Commission also requires that the Follow-Up Report, the Follow-Up Visit Report, and this Commission action letter be made available to students and the public by placing a copy on the College website. *Please note that in response to public interest in disclosure, the Commission now requires institutions to post accreditation information on a page no farther than one click from the institution's home page.* If you would like an electronic copy of the Follow-Up Visit Report, please contact Commission staff.

The Follow-Up Report will become part of the accreditation history of the College and should be used in preparing for the next comprehensive evaluation.

All colleges are required to file a Midterm Report in the third year after each comprehensive evaluation. Evergreen Valley College should submit the **Midterm Report**¹ by **October 15, 2013**.

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Midterm Reports demonstrate that changes implemented to meet the Standards have been sustained, indicate resolution of any team recommendations made for improvement, include a summary of progress on College-identified plans for improvement as expressed in the Self Study Report, and forecast where the College expects to be by the time of the next comprehensive evaluation. The Commission expects that Evergreen Valley College demonstrate in the Midterm Report that it has fully addressed the deficiency in meeting Standard III.A.1.c as found in the following recommendation:

2010 Recommendation 2:

The team recognizes that progress has occurred with identification of course level student learning outcomes; however, the team recommends that efforts be accelerated to complete SLO identification and expand recurrent cycles of authentic assessment and improvement for all instructional and student service programs, with campus-wide dialogue on results, in order to reach proficiency level by 2012. Furthermore, faculty and others directly responsible for student progress towards achieving student learning outcomes should have, as a component of their evaluation, effectiveness in producing those learning outcomes. (Standards I.B.1, I.B.3, I.B.4, I.B.7, II.A.1.c, II.A.2.a, II.A.2.b, II.A.2.f, II.B, II.B.4, and III.A.1.c)

On behalf of the Commission, I wish to express continuing interest in the institution's educational quality and students' success. Professional self-regulation is the most effective means of assuring institutional integrity, effectiveness, and quality.

Sincerely,

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Institutions preparing and submitting Midterm Reports, Follow-Up Reports, and Special Reports to the Commission should review *Guidelines for the Preparation of Reports to the Commission*. It contains the background, requirements, and format for each type of report and presents sample cover pages and certification pages. It is available on the ACCJC website under College Reports to ACCJC at: (http://www.accjc.org/college-reports-accjc)