June 29, 2007

Dr. Chui Tsang  
Superintendent/President  
Santa Monica College  
1900 Pico Boulevard  
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Dear President Tsang:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting on June 6-8, 2007, reviewed the Midterm Report submitted by Santa Monica College. The purpose of this review was to assure that the recommendations made by the evaluation team are addressed by the institution and that the college has also addressed the self-identified areas of concern which were included in the institutional self study.

The Commission took action to accept the Midterm Report and commend the college for the clarity of the report and the fine work done to address the recommendations of the 2004 comprehensive evaluation team. The college is also commended for developing its Student Learning Outcomes Task Force Handbooks Year One and Year Two. The Midterm Report will become part of the accreditation history of the college and should be used in preparing for the next comprehensive evaluation.

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 campus leadership and the Board of Trustees. The Commission also requires that all reports be made available to students and the public. Placing copies in the college library can accomplish this.

Please note that the next comprehensive evaluation of Santa Monica College will occur in Spring 2010.

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

Sincerely,

Barbara A. Beno, Ph.D.
President

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cc: Mr. Randal Lawson, Accreditation Liaison Officer
Board President, Santa Monica CCD