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University of Newfoundland

Office of the Vice-President (Academic)

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Dr. Ray Gosine  
Dean , Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science

Dear Dr. Gosine:

The Planning and Budget Committee of Senate considered the action plan that resulted from the Academic Program Review for the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science at its May 11, 2005 meeting. The PBC wishes to express its appreciation to the Faculty for its participation in the APR process and for undertaking all the work that this process requires. The action plan is particularly well done and Engineering 2010 represents the type of forward-looking plan that this Committee has encouraged other units to develop.

As you are well aware, the primary purpose of formal academic program reviews is to give units of the University an opportunity to engage in formative self-assessment and to obtain the advantages of commentary and advice from experts from the discipline in question. The role of PBC is to monitor the process and develop a body of knowledge that is useful in making broad strategic recommendations and providing sound budgetary advice to the University. It is not the role of the Committee to determine allocations to individual units, but we can sometimes offer advice or make potentially useful observations.

An anticipated outcome of the process is a plan that clarifies how best to achieve the Faculty's objectives with the resources available to it. From the standpoint of the University, the process also provides a measure of accountability to the whole institution and the public that supports us.

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I offer my support and that of the Committee as you begin the important work outlined in your action plan. We look forward to seeing your one-year update next May. The Committee wishes to pass along its congratulations on an excellent report.

Sincerely yours,



H.E.A. Campbell  
Vice-President (Academic)