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Dr. David Carroll
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Dear Dr. Carroll:

The Planning and Budget Committee (PBC) considered the academic program review of Environmental Studies at its October 20th, 2009 meeting and wishes to express its appreciation for your participation in this process.

The primary purpose of formal Academic Program Reviews is to give units an opportunity to engage in formative self-assessment and to obtain the advantages of commentary and advice from experts from the disciplines under review. An anticipated outcome is planning that clarifies how a unit may best achieve its objectives with its available resources. From the perspective of the University, the process also provides a measure of accountability to the institution and to the public that support us.

The next step in the process is the completion of a one year update which is intended to be a progress report on the implementation of the action plan. The PBC did note that they would have liked the plan to have been a little more specific and set out time frames for actions. I would be grateful if you could take this into consideration when developing the update.

On behalf of PBC, I offer my support and that of the Committee as you plan for the future. We look forward to seeing your one year update in October, 2010.

Yours sincerely,

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Vice-President (Academic) and Pro Vice-Chancellor *Pro Tempore*

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