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Dr. Ned Doffoney President
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Dear President Doffoney:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting on January 9-11, 2008, reviewed the Progress Report submitted by the college. The Commission took action to accept the report, with a requirement that the college complete a **Focused Midterm Report**.

I also wish to inform you that under U.S. Department of Education regulations, institutions out of compliance with standards or on sanction are expected to correct deficiencies within a two-year period or the Commission must take action to terminate accreditation. While the recommendations listed below, identified as deficiencies, were also noted by the year 2005 comprehensive evaluation team, the Commission has extended Fresno City College's time to correct these deficiencies for good cause because the College has completed a substantial amount of the work required to fully resolve the deficiencies.

All colleges are required to file a Midterm Report in the third year after each comprehensive evaluation. Fresno City College should submit the **Focused Midterm Report by October 15, 2008**. Midterm Reports 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. A Focused Midterm Report is a midterm report which must give evidence of resolution of the recommendations selected by the Commission.

The Focused Midterm Report should address all the team's recommendations and should demonstrate full resolution of those recommendations noted below:

Recommendation 1: *Participatory Governance*

The team recommends the college implement a participatory governance process to ensure that all constituent groups actively participate in the college's planning and decision making. (Standards IA.3, **TB.1, IB.4**)

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Recommendation 3.3: The team recommends that the college integrate human resources planning into the college-wide institutional planning process. (Standard IIIA)

Recommendation 5: *District-wide*

The team recommends that the college continue to develop, implement, and evaluate a college wide strategic plan that 1) incorporates the individual planning efforts of the college and 2) results in a cohesive planning framework. Simultaneously, the college should remain cognizant of the strategic development of the State Center Community College District as it moves toward increasing the number of colleges in the district. (Standards IB.2, B3.3, IB.4, IVB, IVB.2, IVB.3, IVB.3f)

The Progress 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 the Chancellor, 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.

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,



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