

July 28, 2014

Dr. Edward Ray
President
Oregon State University
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Dear President Ray:

On behalf of the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, I am pleased to inform you that at its June 25-26, 2014, meeting, the Board of Commissioners accepted the University's Spring 2014 Year Three *Resources and Capacity* Report which was expanded to address Recommendations 1 and 2 of the Spring 2012 Year One *Mission and Core Themes* Peer-Evaluation Report and Recommendations 1 and 2 of the Fall 2012 Ad Hoc Peer-Evaluation Report.

In regard to Recommendations 1 and 2 of the Spring 2012 Year One *Mission and Core Themes* Peer-Evaluation Report and Recommendation 1 from the Fall 2012 Ad Hoc Peer-Evaluation Report, the Commission determined that its expectations have been met. However, the Commission also determined that its expectations with regard to Recommendation 2 of the Fall 2012 Ad Hoc Peer-Evaluation Report have not been met. Accordingly, the Commission requests that the University address Recommendation 2 of the Fall 2012 Ad Hoc Peer-Evaluation Report in an Ad Hoc Report without a visit in fall 2015. In addition, the Commission requests that the University address Recommendation 1 of the Spring 2014 Year Three *Resources and Capacity* Peer-Evaluation Report in its Spring 2018 Year Seven *Mission Fulfillment and Sustainability* Self-Evaluation Report. Copies of the Recommendations are enclosed for your reference.

In making these requests, the Commission finds that Recommendation 1 of the Spring 2014 Year Three *Resources and Capacity* Peer-Evaluation Report and Recommendation 2 of the Fall 2012 Ad Hoc Peer-Evaluation Report are areas where Oregon State University is substantially in compliance with Commission criteria for accreditation, but in need of improvement.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes for a rewarding academic year.

Sincerely,

Sandra E. Elman
President

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Enclosures: Recommendations (Spring 2014 and Fall 2012)

cc: Dr. Rebecca Warner, Senior Vice Provost for Academic Affairs