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**SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS**

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Dr. Terry Dicianna  
President  
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Dear Dr. Dicianna:

It is a pleasure to inform you that the Commission on Colleges, acting on the recommendation of the Committee on Criteria and Reports for Institutions at Level I, voted on December 10, 1987, to award accredited status to your institution. The accreditation awarded is effective retroactive to January 1, 1987. You, your faculty, and staff can be proud of this accomplishment. We trust that the institution has benefited from its participation in the accreditation process and that our continuing relationship will further enhance your institution's effectiveness.

Your institution is requested to submit a Progress Report, by October 15, 1988, addressing the following recommendations of the visiting committee report: Recommendation 1 of Section 3 (Institutional Effectiveness); Recommendations 1-11 of Section 4 (Educational Program); Recommendation 1, 3, and 4 of Section 5 (Educational Support Services); and Recommendation 1 of Section 6 (Administrative Processes). You should send the report, in triplicate, to Dr. Bennett Hudson, the staff member assigned to work with your institution. Please be very specific in your response and use the enclosed faculty roster form as a guide. Provide supporting documentation wherever appropriate. You should be aware that Commission policy states that failure to remedy or adequately address the identified deficiencies by the designated date may result in the institution being placed on NOTICE or PROBATION.

You will be expected to complete a self-study and have a committee evaluation in anticipation of reaffirmation of accreditation by the Annual Meeting in 1992. Approximately two years prior to that time, a member of the Commission staff will advise you concerning preparation for the reaffirmation program.



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Congratulations. It is a pleasure to welcome your institution into the membership of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. We appreciate your participation in the activities of the Commission and hope you will call on us whenever we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

James T. Rogers  
Executive Director  
Commission on Colleges

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cc: Dr. Bennett Hudson

Enclosure