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Dear President Floyd:

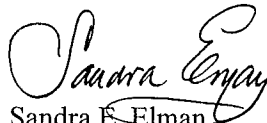
On behalf of the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, I am pleased to report that the accreditation of Washington State University has been reaffirmed on the basis of the Spring 2013 Year Three *Resources and Capacity* Evaluation which was expanded to address Recommendations 1, 2 and 3 of the Spring 2011 Year One *Mission and Core Themes* Peer-Evaluation Report and to again address Recommendations 2 and 3 of the Spring 2009 Comprehensive Peer-Evaluation Report.

In reaffirming accreditation, the Commission requests that the University address Recommendations 1 and 2 of the Spring 2013 Year Three *Resources and Capacity* Peer-Evaluation Report in its Spring 2017 Year Seven *Mission Fulfillment and Sustainability* Self-Evaluation Report. A copy of the Recommendations is enclosed for your reference.

In making this request, the Commission finds that Recommendations 1 and 2 of the Spring 2013 Year Three *Resources and Capacity* Peer-Evaluation Report are areas where Washington 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.

Sincerely,


Sandra E. Elman
President

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Enclosure: Recommendations

cc: Ms. Kimberly Green, Director, Office of Assessment of Teaching and Learning ✓

Year Three *Resources and Capacity* Evaluation
Spring 2013
Washington State University
Recommendations

1. The evaluation committee recommends that Washington State University's academic programs continue to strengthen collective faculty responsibility for fostering and assessing student achievement of learning outcomes and ensure that student learning outcome information from online programs and courses are consistently included in assessment processes (Standard 2.C.5).

2. The evaluation committee recommends that the University incorporate student learning outcomes summary information into the evaluation of overall mission fulfillment (Standard 1.B.2).