February 3, 2009

Dr. Linda Spink
President
Los Angeles Harbor College
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Dear President Spink:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting on January 7-9, 2009, reviewed the Report submitted by Los Angeles Harbor College and the report of the evaluation team which visited on Wednesday, November 5, 2008. The Commission took action to accept the report and remind the college that at the time of the Midterm Report, due by March 15, 2009, it is required to submit a Report demonstrating resolution of the following recommendation:

**Commission Recommendation 1:** The Commission is seeking evidence that the district has developed, implemented, and is adhering to a plan which will address the unfunded retiree health benefit liability to assure out-year obligations are met without significant negative impact on the financial health of the institution. (Standard III.D.1.c)

I have previously sent you a copy of the evaluation team report. Additional copies may now be duplicated. 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. Should you want the report electronically to place on your web site or for some other purpose, please contact Commission staff. The Report will become part of the accreditation history of the college and should be used in preparing for the next comprehensive evaluation.

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,

Barbara A. Beno, Ph.D.
President

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cc: Mr. Luis Rosas, Accreditation Liaison Officer
    Mr. Mark Drummond, Chancellor, Los Angeles CCD
    Board President, Los Angeles CCD
    Mr. Mike Rota, Team Chair
    Evaluation Team Members