August 17, 2011

Dr. David N. Beyer
President
Everett Community College
2000 Tower Street
Everett, WA 98201

Dear President Beyer:

On behalf of the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, I am pleased to report that the accreditation of Everett Community College has been reaffirmed on the basis of the Spring 2011 Year One Evaluation which was expanded to address Recommendations 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the Spring 2010 Comprehensive Evaluation. This matter was the subject of correspondence dated July 28, 2010. Congratulations on receiving this continued recognition.

In reaffirming accreditation, the Commission took action to revise Recommendation 2 of the Spring 2011 Year One Peer-Evaluation Report as follows:

2. The Commission recommends that Everett Community College define mission fulfillment by providing the degree to which accomplishment—measured through meaningful indicators—satisfies clearly stated objectives that reflect successful end states (Standard 1.A.2).

In addition, the Commission requests that in its Spring 2013 Year Three Self-Evaluation Report the College address Recommendations 1 and 2 of the Spring 2011 Year One Peer-Evaluation Report in its updated response to Standard One, resolve Recommendation 3 of the Spring 2011 Year One Peer-Evaluation Report in addressing Standard Two, and that it submit an addendum addressing Recommendation 4 of the Spring 2011 Year One Peer-Evaluation Report. A copy of these Recommendations is enclosed for your reference.

In taking this action, the Commission finds that Recommendations 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the Spring 2011 Year One Peer-Evaluation Report are areas where Everett Community College is substantially in compliance with Commission criteria for accreditation, but in need of improvement.

The Commission has removed the Warning with regard to Recommendation 4 of the Spring 2010 Comprehensive Evaluation Report which pertained to the Commission’s former Standard 2.B.3 and Policy 2.2. Further, the Commission finds that Recommendations 3 and 4 of the Spring 2010 Comprehensive Evaluation Report are now substantially in compliance.
If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes for a rewarding academic year.

Sincerely,

President

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Enclosure: Recommendations

cc: Dr. Sandra A. Fowler-Hill, Vice President of Instruction and Student Services
    Dr. Betty Cobbs, Board Chair
    Mr. Charles Earl, Executive Director, Washington State Board for Community and Technical Colleges
1. The evaluation panel recommends that Everett Community College strengthen ties between the mission statement and core themes to ensure that the accomplishment of the core themes truly defines mission fulfillment (Standard 1.B.1).

2. The evaluation panel recommends that the College define mission fulfillment by providing the degree to which accomplishment—measured through meaningful indicators—satisfies clearly stated objectives that reflect successful end states (Standard 1.A.2).

3. The evaluation panel recommends that the College document actions taken by the Board of Trustees as a result of its self-evaluation process. The panel further recommends that the College document any results stemming from those actions (Standard 2.A.8).

4. The evaluation panel recommends that the College provide evidence that the outcomes assessment processes produce consistent data that reliably measure improvement over time (Standard 4.A.3 and 4.A.6).