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Dr. Sonya Christian, President
Bakersfield College
1801 Panorama Drive
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Dear President Christian:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting January 8-10, 2014, reviewed the Follow-Up Report submitted by Bakersfield College and the report of the evaluation team that visited October 28-29, 2013. Bakersfield College provided evidence, and the team verified that it has addressed College Recommendations 1-8 and District Recommendations 1-4 and now meets associated Standards. At the time of the next regularly scheduled visit, the evaluation team will verify that these changes have been sustained.

The Follow-Up Report submitted in October 2013 will become part of the accreditation history of the College. A **final** copy of the Follow-Up Team Report is attached. 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 the Follow-Up Report, the Follow-Up Team Report, and this Commission action letter be made available to students and the public by placing a copy on the College website. *Please note that in response to public interest in disclosure, the Commission now requires institutions to post accreditation information on a page no farther than one click from the institution's home page.*

Institutions are expected to meet Eligibility Requirements, Accreditation Standards, and Commission policies at all times during the six-year review cycle and to provide evidence that they have addressed and resolved the recommendations made by the previous comprehensive evaluation team. Bakersfield College is scheduled to submit its Midterm Report in **fall 2015**.¹

Dr. Sonya Christian, President
Bakersfield College
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On behalf of the Commission, I wish to express continuing interest in the institution's educational quality and students' success. Professional self-regulation is the most effective means of assuring institutional integrity, effectiveness, and educational quality.

Sincerely,



Barbara A. Beno, Ph.D.
President

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¹Institutions preparing and submitting Midterm Reports, Follow-Up Reports, and Special Reports to the Commission should review *Guidelines for the Preparation of Reports to the Commission*. It contains the background, requirements, and format for each type of report and presents sample cover pages and certification pages. It is available on the ACCJC website under College Reports to ACCJC at: <http://www.accjc.org/college-reports-accjc>.