

IE Middle States Commission on Higher Education

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Dr. Stephen M. Curtis Office of the President Community College of Philadelphia 1700 Spring Garden Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19130-3991

Dear President Curtis:

At its sessions on June 23-24, 2004, the Middle States Commission on Higher Education acted to reaffirm the accreditation of the Community College of Philadelphia and to request a monitoring report by April 1, 2006, documenting further implementation of the plan for the assessment of student learning, including general education outcomes, and the completion of technology improvements impacting financial aid and other student service functions. The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2009.

Enclosed for your information is a copy of the Statement of Accreditation Status for your institution. The Statement of Accreditation Status (SAS) provides important basic information about the institution and its affiliation with the Commission, and it is made available to the public upon request. Accreditation applies to the institution as detailed in the SAS; institutional information is derived from data provided by the institution through annual reporting and from Commission actions. If any of the institutional information is incorrect, please contact the Commission as soon as possible.

Please check to ensure that published references to your institution's accredited status (catalog, other publications, web page) include the full name, address, and telephone number of the accrediting agency. Further guidance is provided in the Commission's policy statement *Principles of Good Practice in Institutional Advertising, Student Recruitment, and Representation of Accredited Status*, a copy of which is enclosed.

The Commission on Higher Education expects evaluation team reports to be distributed to all constituencies named on the cover page of team reports: faculty, administration, trustees, and students. Furthermore, the Commission expects any action taken by the Commission to be shared with appropriate campus constituencies.

Please be assured of the continuing interest of the Commission on Higher Education in the well-being of the Community College of Philadelphia. If any further clarification is needed regarding the SAS or other items in this letter, please feel free to contact Dr. John H. Erickson, Deputy Executive Director.

Sincerely,

Michael B. Greenbaum

Executive Committee Member

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