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Dr. Shirley D. Johnston, Dean
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Dear Dr. Johnston:

Via Fax and Mail

At its meeting on April 27-29, 2003, the AVMA Council on Education (COE) considered the January 15, 2003 biannual report and the February 14, 2003 and April 14, 2003 biannual report supplements for the College of Veterinary Medicine, Western University of Health Sciences. The respective reports were accepted as written.

Based upon the letter of reasonable assurance and subsequent biannual reports documenting progress, the Council granted Western University of Health Sciences College of Veterinary Medicine the status, Provisional Accreditation. Provisional Accreditation can remain in effect for no more than five years.

As a reminder, the College must continue to submit biannual reports. A site visit will be scheduled for the first semester of the second year of the inaugural class. This visit will be a full site visit wherein a self-study describing the program and additional plans must be submitted to the COE.

Please be reminded that Continuing Education is no longer a Standard, but Outcomes Assessment has been added. At the time of the next required site visit (fall 2004), progress of the program will not be such that outcomes of the students can be assessed. However, plans for assessing outcomes can be reviewed.

If you have questions, please contact Dr. Deborah Kochevar or me for clarification.

Sincerely,

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Division of Education and Research

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