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Dr. Philip Pumerantz, President Western University of Health Sciences 309 East Second Street - College Plaza Pomona, CA 91766-1854 Presidents's Office MAY 3 0 2013

Dear Dr. Pumerantz:

The Council on Education (COE) met on May 6, 2013 to review and discuss Western University of Health Sciences College of Veterinary Medicine's response to a draft Report of Evaluation. The COE decided to grant the College full accreditation for a period of up to seven years with substantial compliance for up to two years for Standard 11 Outcomes Assessment. The final report of evaluation is enclosed and a copy has been sent to the college dean, Dr. Phillip Nelson.

The Council remains concerned with how clinical competencies are tracked. College faculty must be responsible to tracking student acquisition of clinical competencies rather than relying on students to self-report their progress. The College must also show how outcomes assessments are used to review and improve the curriculum.

In addition, the Council will rely on future interim reports to track the College's progress in addressing recommendations listed under other Standards identified in the report of evaluation. These recommendations did not result in substantial compliance and do not need to be addressed in your response to the deficiencies noted under Standard 11. Specifically, the College must:

- Develop and implement a plan to ensure sufficient and sustainable resources to deliver the professional program. Provide a narrative, with projections in future interim reports.
- Implement an effective system to ensure the safe storage of gas cylinders at all core clinical sites.

- Implement an effective system for the management of expired and controlled drugs at all core clinical sites.
- Clarify and demonstrate that a well-defined and comprehensive program for promotion and tenure is in place, including the professional growth, development, and scholarly activities of the faculty.

If you have any questions regarding the recommendations in the report of evaluation, please contact Dr. David Granstrom, Director of the AVMA Education and Research division at 1-800-248-2862, ext. 6674 or e-mail dgranstrom@avma.org.

Sincerely,

Sheila W. Allen, DVM, MS Chair, Council on Education

Enclosure

c: Dr. Peter Conlon, Site Team Chair,

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