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Dr. Loren J. Anderson
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Dear President Anderson: *Loren*

On behalf of the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, I am pleased to report that the accreditation of Pacific Lutheran University has been reaffirmed on the basis of the Spring 2011 Year One Evaluation which was expanded to address Recommendations 1 and 2 of the Fall 2009 Focused Interim Evaluation Report. This matter was the subject of correspondence dated February 19, 2010, and March 8, 2010. Congratulations on receiving this continued recognition.

In reaffirming accreditation, the Commission requests that the University address Recommendation 1 of the Spring 2011 Year One Peer-Evaluation Report in its updated response to Standard One as part of its Spring 2013 Year Three Self-Evaluation Report. A copy of the Recommendation is enclosed for your reference.

In taking this action, the Commission finds that Recommendation 1 of the Spring 2011 Year One Peer-Evaluation Report is an area where Pacific Lutheran University is substantially in compliance with Commission criteria for accreditation, but in need of improvement.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes for a rewarding academic year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sandra E. Elman".

Sandra E. Elman
President

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Enclosure: Recommendation

cc: Dr. Laura J. Polcyn, Associate Dean for Graduate Studies and Special Academic Programs
Mr. Bruce Bjerke, Board Chair