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Dr. Rahmat Shoureshi
President
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Dear President Shoureshi:

This letter serves as formal notification and official record of action taken by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU) at its meeting on January 9-11, 2019, concerning the Fall 2018 Mid-Cycle Evaluation of Portland State University. This action was taken after consideration of evidence including the institution's Self-Evaluation Report, the addendum addressing Recommendation 2 of the Fall 2015 Peer-Evaluation Report, and the Fall 2018 Mid-Cycle Peer-Evaluation Report.

Action

- Accept the Fall 2018 Mid-Cycle Self-Evaluation Report.

Status of Previous Areas Addressed in This Evaluation

The Commission finds that the following Recommendation is an area where its expectations have not yet been met and Portland State University is now out of compliance with the NWCCU Standards for Accreditation. According to U.S. Department of Education Regulation 34 CFR 602.20 and Commission Policy, *Commission Action Regarding Institutional Compliance Within Specified Period* (enclosed), the Commission requires that Portland State University take appropriate action to ensure this Recommendation is addressed and resolved in the prescribed two-year period.

- Recommendation 2 of the Fall 2015 Year Seven Peer-Evaluation Report.

Required Follow-Up

The Commission requests Portland State University:

- Submit an Ad Hoc Report without a visit in Fall 2019 to again address Recommendation 2 of the Fall 2015 Year Seven Peer-Evaluation Report.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your NWCCU staff liaison, Senior Vice President, Dr. Pamela Goad.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sonny Ramaswamy". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Sonny Ramaswamy
President

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Enclosure: *Commission Action Regarding Institutional Compliance Within Specified Period* Policy

cc: Mr. Brian Sandlin, University Accreditation and Compliance Coordinator