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Mr. Thomas R. Case  
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Dear Chancellor <sup>Tom</sup> Case:

On behalf of the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, I am pleased to report that the accreditation of the University of Alaska Anchorage has been reaffirmed on the basis of the Fall 2011 Year One Evaluation which was expanded to address Recommendation 2 of the Fall 2010 Year Seven Peer-Evaluation Report.

In reaffirming accreditation, the Commission requests that the University address Recommendation 1 of the Fall 2011 Year One Peer-Evaluation Report as part of its updated response to Standard One in its Fall 2013 Year Three Self-Evaluation Report. In addition, the Commission requests that the University address Eligibility Requirement 3 (*Mission and Core Themes*) in its Fall 2013 Year Three Self-Evaluation Report, specifically regarding board approval of the institution's core themes. A copy of the Recommendation is enclosed for your reference.

In making this request, the Commission finds that Recommendation 1 of the Fall 2011 Year One Peer-Evaluation Report is an area where the University of Alaska Anchorage 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.

All the best.

Sincerely,

Sandra E. Elman  
President

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Enclosure: Recommendation

cc: Ms. Megan Carlson, Assistant Vice Provost ✓

**Year One Peer-Evaluation Report**  
**Fall 2011**  
**University of Alaska Anchorage**  
**Recommendation**

1. The evaluation panel recommends that the University of Alaska Anchorage refine its indicators of achievement to ensure that the indicators are meaningful, direct measures of the objectives (Standard 1.B.2).