July 2, 2012

Mr. Peter Garcia  
President  
Diablo Valley College  
321 Golf Club Road  
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523

Dear President Garcia:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting June 6-8, 2012, considered the Focused Midterm Report that was resubmitted by the College. The purpose of this review was to assure that the recommendations made by the evaluation team had been addressed by the institution and that the College had also provided an update on the self-identified planning agendas which were included in the institutional Self Study Report.

The Focused Midterm Report will become part of the accreditation history of the College and should be used in preparing for the next comprehensive evaluation. The Commission requires that you give the Focused Midterm Report and the Commission action letter appropriate dissemination to your College staff and to those who were signatories of your College report. This group should include the Chancellor, campus leadership, and the Board of Trustees. The Commission also requires that The Focused Midterm Report and the Commission action letter be made available to students and the public. Placing a copy on the college website can accomplish this.

Commission Reminder: The Commission expects that institutions meet standards that require the identification and assessment of student learning outcomes, and the use of assessment data to plan and implement improvements to educational quality. The Commission reminds Diablo Valley College that it must be prepared to demonstrate that it meets these standards by fall 2012 (Standards I.B.1, II.A.2.c, II.A.2.f, II.B.4, II.C.2, and III.A.1.e).

Please note that the next comprehensive evaluation of Diablo Valley College will occur during Fall 2014.
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On behalf of the Commission, I wish to express continuing interest in the institution’s educational quality and students’ success. Professional self-regulation is the most effective means of assuring institutional integrity, effectiveness, and quality.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Barbara A. Beno, Ph.D.  
President

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c: Dr. Helen Benjamin, Chancellor, Contra Costa Community College District  
Dr. Ted Wieden, Accreditation Liaison Officer  
President, Board of Trustees, Contra Costa Community College District