



**ACCREDITING  
COMMISSION  
for COMMUNITY and  
JUNIOR COLLEGES**

10 COMMERCIAL BOULEVARD  
SUITE 204  
NOVATO, CA 94949  
TELEPHONE: (415) 506-0234  
FAX: (415) 506-0238  
E-MAIL: [accjc@accjc.org](mailto:accjc@accjc.org)  
[www.accjc.org](http://www.accjc.org)

Chairperson  
LURELEAN B. GAINES  
East Los Angeles College

Vice Chairperson  
FLOYD K. TAKEUCHI  
Public Member

President  
BARBARA A. BENO

Vice President  
SUSAN B. CLIFFORD

Vice President  
STEVE MARADIAN

Vice President  
GARMAN JACK POND

Associate Vice President  
LILY OWYANG

Business Officer  
DEANNE WILBURN

ITAS  
TOM LANE

Administrative Assistant  
CLARE GOLDBERG

March 31, 2009

Dr. Judy Walters  
President  
Diablo Valley College  
321 Golf Club Road  
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523

Dear President Walters:

This letter is intended to clarify the ACCJC action letter, dated February 3, 2009, addressed to you concerning the accreditation of Diablo Valley College. You requested this clarification of the Commission.

The action letter of February 3, 2009, placed Diablo Valley College under a show cause order. The action letter further stated that Diablo Valley College is being required to demonstrate in a Show Cause Report, by October 15, 2009, that it is resolving the accreditation standard deficiencies, initially identified in the 2002 Comprehensive Evaluation Team Report as Recommendations 1,2, 4 and 5, which had not been satisfactorily rectified at the time of the visit by the Evaluation Team on October 13-16, 2008 and deficiencies noted in two Eligibility Requirements. The deficiencies in meeting standards were rephrased in the 2008 Team Report, under the 2004 Standards of Accreditation, as Recommendations 1,2,3,6 and 7. It is these recommendations the college must address. The Eligibility Requirements where deficiencies were noted are **Eligibility Requirement 10-Student Learning and Achievement** and **Eligibility Requirement 19-Institutional Planning and Evaluation**.

The accreditation standard deficiencies are identified in the 2002 and 2008 Comprehensive Evaluation Team Reports and the further deficiencies under **Eligibility Requirements 10 and 19** were described in the 2008 Evaluation Report of the of the team that visited on October 13-16, 2008. These deficiencies were also restated in the Commission's action letter.

The action letter noted that Diablo Valley College has satisfactorily addressed Recommendation 3 from the 2002 Evaluation Report.

The reference in the action letter to **Eligibility Requirement 21** was an error and, for that reason, is being withdrawn.

**PRESIDENT'S OFFICE**

**APR 02 2009**

I hope that this clarifies any questions you have about the content of the February 3, 2009 action letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara A. Beno".

Barbara A. Beno  
President

cc: Chancellor Helen Benjamin