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Dear President Langrell: ^{Ron-}

On behalf of the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, I am pleased to inform you that at its January 7-8, 2015, meeting, the Board of Commissioners accepted Bates Technical College's Fall 2014 Year One *Mission and Core Themes* Report which was expanded to address Recommendations 1, 2, 4, and 6 of the Fall 2013 Year Seven Peer-Evaluation Report. In regard to the aforementioned Recommendations, the Commission determined that its expectations have been met.

Bates Technical College's next regularly scheduled evaluation is the Mid-Cycle Evaluation in fall 2016. The Commission requests that the Mid-Cycle Report be expanded to address Recommendations 3, 5, 7 and 8 of the Fall 2013 Year Seven Peer-Evaluation Report. Recommendations 3, 5, 7 and 8 of the Fall 2013 Year Seven Peer-Evaluation Report are areas where Bates Technical College is substantially in compliance with Commission criteria for accreditation, but in need of improvement. This Mid-Cycle Evaluation replaces the Year Three *Resources and Capacity* Evaluation and is intended to ascertain the institution's readiness to provide evidence (outcomes) of mission fulfillment and sustainability in the Year Seven *Mission Fulfillment and Sustainability* Evaluation. Please see the NWCCU website under "Forms" for "Guidelines for the Preparation of the Mid-Cycle Self Evaluation."

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

Best wishes for a peaceful and fulfilling New Year.

Sincerely,

Sandra E. Elman
President

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cc: Dr. Ivan Gorne, Vice President for Student Services, Facilities and Operations

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