June 25, 2004

Dr. Steffen H. Rogers
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Bucknell University
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Dear President Rogers:

At its sessions on June 23-24, 2004, the Middle States Commission on Higher Education acted to reaffirm the accreditation of Bucknell University and to request a monitoring report, due April 1, 2005, documenting developments regarding governance structures. The Commission requested a progress letter, due October 1, 2005, documenting (1) mission review, (2) the strategic planning process, and (3) finalization of the institutional assessment plan. The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2009.

Enclosed for your information is a copy of the Statement of Accreditation Status for your institution. The Statement of Accreditation Status (SAS) provides important basic information about the institution and its affiliation with the Commission, and it is made available to the public upon request. Accreditation applies to the institution as detailed in the SAS; institutional information is derived from data provided by the institution through annual reporting and from Commission actions. If any of the institutional information is incorrect, please contact the Commission as soon as possible.

Please check to ensure that published references to your institution's accredited status (catalog, other publications, web page) include the full name, address, and telephone number of the accrediting agency. Further guidance is provided in the Commission's policy statement Principles of Good Practice in Institutional Advertising, Student Recruitment, and Representation of Accredited Status, a copy of which is enclosed.

The Commission on Higher Education expects evaluation team reports to be distributed to all constituencies named on the cover page of team reports: faculty, administration, trustees, and students. Furthermore, the Commission expects any action taken by the Commission to be shared with appropriate campus constituencies.

Please be assured of the continuing interest of the Commission on Higher Education in the well-being of Bucknell University. If any further clarification is needed regarding the SAS or other items in this letter, please feel free to contact Dr. Elizabeth H. Sibolski, Executive Associate Director.

Sincerely,

Judith L. Gay
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