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February 5, 2019

Mr. Robert W. Allen President Green Mountain College One Brennan Circle Poultney, VT 05764-1199

Dear President Allen:

I write to inform you that at its meeting on January 25, 2019, the New England Commission of Higher Education considered the information submitted by Green Mountain College and took the following action:

that the information submitted by Green Mountain College regarding the institution's plans to close after the Spring 2019 semester be received and the teach-out plans submitted by the College be approved;

that the College's accreditation with the Commission be effective through July 31, 2019 with the understanding that the sole purpose will be the awarding of Green Mountain College degrees to students who finish their programs by that date.

The Commission gives the following reasons for its action.

The Commission appreciates the information provided by Green Mountain College (GMC) regarding its plans to cease operations after the Spring 2019 semester. We commend the College for informing its students and employees about this decision in a timely manner and for developing detailed plans for the closure. We note with favor that the institution has secured formal agreements with eight institutions to enable students to continue their education. These teach-out plans are approved because they are consistent with Commission standards and policies and provide assurance that GMC students will be able to "complete their education with a minimum of disruption" (4.9). We are also gratified to learn of the steps the College is taking to ensure that sufficient resources will be available for programs and services offered on-campus through the Spring 2019 semester and online through mid-July as well as for the costs associated with the closure of the institution.

To enable Green Mountain College students who finish their programs during Summer 2019 to have that degree come from an accredited institution, the College's accreditation with the Commission will remain in effect through July 31, 2019 at which time it will end.

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The Commission expressed appreciation for the information submitted by Green Mountain College and is grateful for the 85-year relationship it has enjoyed with the College. We understand that the decision to close the institution was difficult and commend the College for the care it is taking to support students, faculty, and staff during this final semester.

You are encouraged to share this letter with all of the institution's constituencies. The institution is free to release information about the letter and the Commission's action to others in accordance with the enclosed policy on Public Disclosure of Information about Affiliated Institutions.

If you have any questions about the Commission's action, please contact Barbara Brittingham, President of the Commission.

Sincerely,

David Quigley

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Enclosure