



February 28, 2013

Dr. Belle S. Wheelan, President
Commission on Colleges
Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
1866 Southern Lane
Decatur, GA 30033-4097

Dear Dr. Wheelan:

The purpose of this letter is to apprise the Commission that Texas A&M University-Commerce (A&M-Commerce) has discovered that 50% or more of a program is being offered at an off-campus classroom which has not received SACS approval. In November of 2009, a representative for L-3 Communications, the largest employer in our service area, and I signed a Memorandum of Understanding. Courses toward the Master of Science in Management have been offered at the L-3 classroom since the spring term of 2010. As a part of our preparation for reaffirmation, we have confirmed this week that this coursework represents 50% or more of the graduate degree.

It is our clear understanding that we must quickly submit a prospectus, but we wanted to notify the Commission of what we have found as soon as possible. L-3 Communications is located at 10001 Jack Finney Boulevard, Greenville, TX 75403-6056. You have my assurance that A&M-Commerce takes the Commission's Substantive Change Policy seriously and has every reason to comply with its expectations of advance notice.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter and please contact Dr. Marila Palmer at 903-886-5926 or marila.palmer@tamuc.edu should you have questions.

Sincerely,

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President

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