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VICE PRESIDENT STEVEN BECKWITH OFFICE OF RESEARCH AND GRADUATE STUDIES

Re: Task Force on Principles, Process and Assessment of UC Systemwide Research Investments

Dear Steve:

At its teleconference on February 1, on the recommendation of UCORP, the Academic Council approved the charge of the Task Force on Principles, Process and Assessment of UC Systemwide Research Investments. Council concurs that establishing a formal framework that will guide future decision-making and assessment of UC-wide research investments is important and necessary. We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff on this project.

Sincerely,

Robert M. Anderson, Chair

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Executive Director Winnacker