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To: Jose Wudka, Chair, Riverside Division

From: John S. Levin, Chair, Executive Committee, Graduate School of Education

Subject: UCR TARGET OF EXCELLENCE (TOE) PROGRAM January 8, 2015

The GSOE Executive Committee is supportive of this program (TOE) and comments on a few matters. First, the program is noted as a mechanism for “adding to campus diversity” but there is no specific explanation of how this might be accomplished. For example, would diverse candidates (diverse for example as in faculty of color) be deliberately pursued and would their diverse status be one element in qualifying them as a target of excellence? Second, while a departmental vote is noted as an expectation, is the assumption in the Procedures section that the Department letter to the Dean will include the vote? Finally, in Procedures, does the Dean’s letter of support include the Department letter or at least a summary of the Department letter?

John S. Levin