

June 25, 2024

Ms. Joyce M. Judy President Community College of Vermont 660 Elm Street, P.O. Box 489 Montpelier, VT 05601-0489

Dear President Judy:

I am pleased to inform you that at its meeting on June 6, 2024, the New England Commission of Higher Education considered the report submitted by Community College of Vermont regarding its plan to relocate its Middlebury academic center and took the following action:

that the report regarding the Community College of Vermont's plans to move its Middlebury, Vermont academic center from 10 Merchants Row to 3 Court Street be accepted and the new location be encompassed within the institution's accreditation;

that the interim report scheduled for consideration in Spring 2027 be confirmed;

that, in addition to the information included in all interim reports and the matters specified in our letters of January 31, 2023, and April 16, 2024, the Spring 2027 interim report provide an update on the College's success in relocating its Middlebury academic center to 3 Court Street.

The Commission gives the following reasons for its action.

The Commission accepted the report submitted by Community College of Vermont (CCV) and encompassed the Middlebury academic center location at 3 Court Street within the College's accreditation because the report provided evidence that at its new location the Middlebury academic center would continue to be operated in a manner consistent with Commission standards and policies.

The Commission is gratified to learn that the relocation of the Middlebury academic center will strengthen CCV's partnership with the Vermont Community Foundation. We appreciate that the new space is "inviting, professional, ADA-compliant" and will serve about 100 students each semester. We understand that the new location is "less than a quarter of a mile" from the current location and note with favor that the new facility will bring a "decrease in operational costs and an improvement in academic center facilities."

Commission policy requires an interim fifth-year report of all institutions on a decennial evaluation cycle. Its purpose is to provide the Commission an opportunity to appraise the institution's current status in keeping with the policy on Periodic Review. In addition to the information included in all interim reports

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and the items specified for attention in the Commission's letters of January 31, 2023 and April 16, 2024, we look forward, in Spring 2027, to receiving an update on the College's relocation of its Middlebury academic center as evidence of the institution's "demonstrable record of success in implementing the results of its planning" (2.5).

The Commission expressed appreciation for the report submitted by Community College of Vermont and hopes its preparation has contributed to institutional improvement. We appreciate your cooperation with the effort to provide public assurance of the quality of higher education.

You are encouraged to share this letter with all of the institution's constituencies. It is Commission policy to inform the chairperson of the institution's governing board and the head of the system of action on its accreditation status. In a few days we will be sending a copy of this letter to Elizabeth Mauch and Lynne Dickinson. The institution is free to release information about the evaluation 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 Lawrence M. Schall, President of the Commission.

Sincerely,

Russell Carey

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cc: Elizabeth Mauch

Lynne Dickinson

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