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Mr. Mark Perry
President
San Joaquin Valley College
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Dear President Perry:

San Joaquin Valley College (SJVC) staff has informed the ACCJC of the intent to offer a Certificate of Completion option for the Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration (HVAC) program (40 units). It is currently being offered at the Associate of Science Degree level (64 units), and a large number of students find full-time employment before completing the degree.

Offering the HVAC program at both the certificate and degree levels will position SJVC to better meet student training needs in this industry. Also, students who enroll in the certificate program have the option of returning to complete the degree. Core courses at both levels will be the same, with the addition of one added course to each level: Air Distribution Systems.

Based on the information provided, the new HVAC Certificate will not require a full substantive change review by the Commission.

On behalf of the Commission I wish to thank the College for keeping the Commission informed and express continuing interest in the institution's educational programs and services. It remains the College's responsibility to inform the Commission of any program change. Professional self-regulation is the most effective means of assuring educational quality, integrity and institutional effectiveness.

Sincerely,

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