



March 26, 2007

Ms. Carmella Morrison
Evaluation Services Office
Middle States Commission on Higher Education
3624 Market Street
Philadelphia, PA 19104

Dear Ms. Morrison:

As a follow-up to the letter dated June 23, 2005 from Judith L. Gay, Chair, Middle States Commission on Higher Education, I am pleased to submit four (4) copies of the requested monitoring report from the University of Puerto Rico, Mayagüez addressing (1) development and implementation of a comprehensive institutional strategic plan which links long-range planning to decision-making and budgeting processes, and (2) progress made in the implementation of comprehensive institutional assessment and student learning assessment plans. Along with the report (with three additional copies) I have included four (4) sets of the following supplementary documents, which are relevant within the context of the monitoring report:

- First Annual Report (2005-06) of the Office of Continuous Improvement & Assessment (OMCA).
- Raising the Bar in Quest of Performance Excellence – paper presented at the American Society of Engineering Education (ASEE) Global Colloquium, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, October 2005.
- *La Gaceta Colegial* - UPRM campus newsletter documenting commitment to “best practices” at the university (Page 3)
- IPEDS 2006-07 with Fall 2006 data*
- *Avalúo Plus* – an annual magazine demonstrating student learning assessment within the College of Arts & Sciences

* MSICHE Guidelines stipulate that the report be accompanied by the institution’s most-recent Institutional Profile. The Institutional Profile for 2006-07 is currently in preparation and will be sent when it becomes available (mid April, 2007).

If you need any additional information with respect to this report, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Mildred Chaparro, Ph.D.
Dean of Academic Affairs & Acting Chancellor

c: Anand D. Sharma, Director, Office of Continuous Improvement & Assessment (OMCA)