

March 9, 2007

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Dear Dr. Bryant:

The Council on Accreditation of the Association for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care (AAALAC International) has reviewed your November 22, 2006 correspondence pertaining to the University of California – Irvine, Irvine, California. The Council is pleased to inform you that the deficiency regarding Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee access to animal use areas during semiannual facility inspections noted in its October 2, 2006 correspondence has been corrected satisfactorily in accordance with AAALAC International standards as set forth by the Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals, NRC 1996. Council additionally acknowledges and appreciates your addressing the recommended suggestions for improvement. Therefore, the criteria for maintaining **FULL ACCREDITATION** have been assured. The Council recognizes your efforts to achieve a quality animal care and use program and commends you and your staff for the positive actions taken.

Please be advised that AAALAC International requires an annual report from accredited units detailing changes made during the year. In the interim, AAALAC International expects to be apprised in a timely manner of significant programmatic changes or concerns should they occur. Please note that, at your request, AAALAC International will provide your institution with a separate letter simply verifying that your animal care and use program is accredited.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dale G. Martin".

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