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Dear Dr. Warner:

At its April 2009 meeting, the Unit Accreditation Board of the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) considered the request submitted by the Montessori Accreditation Council for Teacher Education (MACTE) that it be added to the list of accrediting organizations with which NCATE maintains a special relationship. The board agreed with NCATE's findings that MACTE has met the criteria for inclusion among the accrediting organizations that NCATE accepts as attesting to the quality of a specific educational field and has approved the recommendation that MACTE be added to the list of national specialized accrediting organizations.

Recognition as an accrediting organization having a special relationship with NCATE signifies that NCATE trusts the process and standards of MACTE as an accrediting body and results in greatly reducing the reporting requirements for programs that have been accredited by MACTE. A reevaluation of MACTE's recognition status is scheduled to occur once every seven years.

Congratulations on this achievement. NCATE looks forward to working with MACTE in continuing to improve the quality of teacher education.

Sincerely,



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Senior Vice President