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Dear President Cruzado-Salas:

On behalf of the NCAA Division I Committee on Athletics Certification, I am writing to inform you of deliberations completed by the committee as part of its July 27-29, 2011, meeting. The committee reviewed all written materials related to your institution's athletics self-study. I am pleased to inform you that the committee determined Montana State University-Bozeman has been **certified**.

Consistent with procedures adopted by the NCAA Division I membership, the decision of the committee will be announced publicly through a standard press release the morning of Thursday, August 18.

Your institution's communications coordinator can help facilitate the communication of this information to your local media, the educational community and other interested parties. Erik Christianson of the NCAA's public and media relations staff will be in touch with your communications liaison to coordinate the NCAA release with any local or regional release your institution may have planned.

Please contact Troy Arthur or Charnele Kemper, staff liaisons to the committee, at the NCAA national office if you have questions concerning actions of the committee or about the athletics certification program in general.

Finally, in order to help us improve the athletics certification program, an electronic evaluation will be forthcoming. We would appreciate you taking the time to provide your feedback.

On behalf of the other members of the committee, I hope your involvement in the self-study process was beneficial. Please feel free to forward your comments to Mr. Arthur, Ms. Kemper or me if you have suggestions for improving the process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Joanne Glasser".

Joanne Glasser, chair
NCAA Division I Committee on Athletics Certification

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Enclosure

cc: ~~Ms. Camie Bechtold~~
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SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE
NCAA DIVISION I COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS CERTIFICATION

Montana State University - Bozeman

As part of its July 27-29, 2011, meeting, the NCAA Division I Committee on Athletics Certification reviewed written materials related to the self-study of athletics completed by Montana State University-Bozeman.

Certification Status

Based on the information submitted, the committee determined that your institution should be **certified**.

This classification means that your institution is considered to be operating its athletics program in substantial conformity with operating principles adopted by the Association's Division I membership and that any problems identified during the course of the self-study have been corrected or were not considered to be serious enough to affect your institution's certification status.

The committee received your institution's self-study report and any subsequent responses with the understanding that any plans for improvement outlined by your institution will be implemented according to the deadlines your institution has established.

The committee hopes that the athletics certification process has helped to educate individuals across the campus about the goals and purpose of the intercollegiate athletics program, revealed the aspects of the athletics program that are worthy of praise and provided an opportunity to improve the intercollegiate athletics program.