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Dear Dr. Kitts:

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As you might recall, SACSCOC is developing a student completion information database to research and identify strategies that may effectively increase student achievement at our member institutions. Additionally, this undertaking is in part a response to directives from the U. S. Department of Education regarding student success. In May 2017, we asked your institution (i) to select a student completion indicator (i.e., the NSC total completion rate; the IPEDS graduation rate; or the completion rate calculated from the data provided in the SACSCOC Annual Enrollment Profile) and (ii) to identify a set of peer schools to contextualize institutional performance on the selected student completion indicator.

The table below presents data on the indicator your institution selected. In addition, the table shows the average performance of the peers your institution selected on the same metric. Evaluation committees for the Fifth-Year Interim Reports and reaffirmation committees will use this information as background, contextual reference points to inform their reviews (e.g., core requirement 8.1 – student achievement).

University of North Alabama	
Selected Student Completion Indicator: IPEDS Graduation Rate (150% standard time) (As of: 2015-2016 data accessed in November 2017)	
Your Institution	38%
Peer Group's Average	37%
Number of peers your institution identified	10
Number of peers for which data available	10

The difference (if any) between the number of identified peers and the number of peers used to calculate the peer group's average indicates that we were not able to obtain information on the selected student completion indicator for some of your institution's peer schools.

If you have any questions or believe there is a data reporting error, please contact Dr. Godfrey Fuji Noe, Coordinator of Training and Research, at gnoe@sacscoc.org.

Thank you for being a part of our collective efforts to improve student learning and success through evidence-based strategies.

Sincerely,

Belle S. Wheelan, Ph.D.
President

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