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FROM:

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SUBJECT: Board of Governors Energy & Sustainability Awards

The Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, in conjunction with the California Community Colleges / Investor Owned Utilities Energy Efficiency (CCC/IOU) Partnership, are pleased to announce the 2016 Energy and Sustainability Awards Program which recognizes leaders and excellence in energy efficiency and sustainability efforts at California community colleges throughout the state.

This year's awards will be presented at the Board of Governors meeting in Sacramento in September 2016, ensuring high-level recognition of the recipients and promoting the ongoing efforts of community colleges on the path toward sustainability. Travel to the September board meeting for the awards will be funded by the CCC/IOU Partnership for one award winner representative for each award/project category.

Nomination Submittals:

Please share your nominations for Sustainability Champion and the Faculty/Student Initiative by **July 8, 2016** to Hoang Nguyen in the CCC Chancellor's Office at hnguyen@ccco.edu. The nomination form is attached and can also be found at:

[CCC Board Sustainability Award 2016 Nomination Form.doc](#)

Previous award or honorable mention award winners are not eligible for consideration this year, but previous submittals that did not win an award are eligible for re-submittal.

In 2016, the awards will be granted for the California Community Colleges Sustainability Champion and Proposition 39 Excellence Awards as follows:

Sustainability Champion

The Board will select an individual who has demonstrated exceptional leadership and achievement in energy efficiency and sustainability efforts this past year. The recommendation for the Sustainability Champion should include the name of the individual being nominated and the reasons for the nomination.

Excellence in Energy & Sustainability – Faculty/Student Initiatives

This award is designed to recognize faculty and/or students who have excelled in developing sustainability initiatives for their college. The criteria for this award includes the creation of an innovative initiative that institutionalizes sustainability by integrating the initiative into campus operations and student learning or curriculum, engages the community in implementing the initiative, and has measurable results to demonstrate success. Faculty and student collaboration in the creation and implementation of sustainability plans are also eligible for this award.

The attached nomination form for the Faculty/Student Initiatives contains the detailed requirements and instructions for submitting these nominations. All nominated initiatives should be either in the implementation phase or completed. Nominations will be reviewed against the criteria to determine an award winner and two honorable mentions.

Excellence in Energy & Sustainability – Proposition 39 Projects

The Proposition 39 Excellence awards do not require nominations as the winners will be selected by the scoring of completed and closed out Year 1 and Year 2 projects using three metrics that align with Proposition 39 goals: Direct Job-Year creation, Annual Energy Cost Savings, and Cost Effectiveness. The following awards will be given:

- Best Overall Project - Large District Winner
- Best Overall Project - Small District Winner

Additionally, one award and one honorable mention will be given in the following project categories:

- Energy Efficiency Retrofits
- Commissioning (RCx or MBCx)
- Demand reduction
- Self-generation

Award timelines:

- **July 8:** Deadline to submit Recommendations for Sustainability Champion and Nomination Forms for Faculty/Student Initiatives Award
- **September 19 or 20 (day TBD):** Awards presented at the Board of Governors meeting at Woodland Community College
- **November 14 or 15 (day TBD):** Awards presented at the California Community College Facility Coalition Annual Conference in Sacramento

Thank you in advance for your participation in the 2016 Board of Governors Energy & Sustainability Awards. For any additional questions please contact Hoang Nguyen at (916) 327-5363, or hnguyen@cccco.edu.