

January 27, 2012

Joel Bloom
President

Dr. Mary Ellen Petrisko, Vice President
Middle States Commission on Higher Education
3624 Market Street
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Dear Dr. Petrisko:

We have received the names for our team visit here at NJIT on April 1-4, 2012. The Evaluation Visit Roster #33379 identifies Robert Palazzo as the chair of our team. All team members - Ellen T. Baird, Dennis R. Black, Graham Glynn, Robert M. Karp, Robert C. Kerber, and Greig W. Mitchell - are a splendid match for NJIT's four-pronged mission of education, research, economic development, and service as New Jersey's science and technology research university. As well, we are also delighted to welcome Glenn Lang in his role of representative of the New Jersey Commission on Higher Education.

As you know, the near completion version of our web site hosts a robust representation of our preparatory work at <http://www.njit.edu/middlestates/>. Posted on April 6, 2010, following your approval of the self study, the Visiting Team will find a copy of our self-study design (http://www.njit.edu/middlestates/docs/2010/NJIT_SelfStudyDesign_2010_final-v2.pdf). The Visiting Team will also find a near final copy of our report, *A Science and Technology Research University for the 21st Century*, posted for review by the university community on October 10, 2011 (http://www.njit.edu/middlestates/docs/2011/NJIT_Middle_States_Self_Study_DrftReport_10132011v2.pdf). Whether listening to a podcast (<http://www.njit.edu/middlestates/Podcasts.php>) or reviewing efforts of the self-study committees (<http://www.njit.edu/middlestates/committees.php>), the Visiting Team will be able to gain a detailed sense of how NJIT fulfills its mission in advance of its visit.

At the present time, we are finalizing the review process and will submit a print and web-based, hyperlinked version of the report shortly after our lockdown date of February 12, 2012. In the meantime, do let us know if any further information is required. We very much look forward to hosting the Visiting Team.

Sincerely,



Joel Bloom
President

cc: Robert Palazzo, PhD
Glenn Lang