



SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION
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Dear Mr. Counts:

This letter is written in response to yours of August 3 to Mr. James R. Michael, enclosing a copy of the lease of a motel in Rock Hill by Winthrop College for temporary student housing. You asked that we review the lease, which was executed by Winthrop College on July 24, and provide you a recommendation before approval is granted by your office.

At a meeting on August 1-2, the Commission discussed leases by the public colleges and universities such as this one and agreed they are matters which the institutions should bring before the Commission for approval. We will bring this lease to the attention of the Commission at its next meeting on September 6.

We note that the effective date of the lease is August 15 and the Winthrop College has established August 22 as the date dormitories will be opened to students. If you must approve the lease prior to September 6, I recommend you stipulate that you will not consider an extension or exercising the option to purchase unless such action has prior approval of this Commission.

Thank you very much for bringing this to our attention.

Sincerely yours,

Howard R. Boozer

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