



Postsecondary Education Quality Assessment Board
Commission d'évaluation de la qualité de l'éducation postsecondaire

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The Honourable Christopher Bentley
Minister, Training, Colleges and Universities
3rd floor, 900 Bay Street
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Dear Minister:

**Re: Application from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University to offer a Bachelor of Science (Technical Management) Degree Program:
Recommendation to Grant Consent**

Pursuant to section 5(1) of the *Post-secondary Choice and Excellence Act, 2000*, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Charles applied on June 16, 2005, for consent to offer a Bachelor of Science (Technical Management) degree program, to be abbreviated B.Sc., at the campus of Georgian College of Applied Arts and Technology, One Georgian Drive, Barrie.

In accordance with section 5(2) of the *Act*, you referred the application on August 18, 2005, to the Postsecondary Education Quality Assessment Board for its review and recommendation. The Board reviewed the application in accordance with the relevant standards in its *Handbook for Private Organizations, April 2005*. The submission, the reports of the assessment panels, and the applicant's responses were considered by the Board at its meeting of July 18, 2006.

Based on:

- the applicant's submission;
- the findings of the Organizational Review Panel appointed by the Board to assess the applicant's organization against the Board's standards and benchmarks for a private organization;
- the findings of the Quality Assessment Panel appointed by the Board to assess this program against the Board's standards and benchmarks for a general bachelor's degree program;

- the facts that, with regard to the proposed transfer credit arrangement for the graduates of Georgian College's Aviation Management diploma program, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University:
 - has been in existence since 1925 and has two fully accredited campuses in the United States,
 - has been working with Georgian College since 1992 in developing various advanced standing transfer arrangements into its U.S.-based programs, which process has resulted in the upgrading of many Georgian College diploma program subjects to enhance the amount of transfer credits that are available to Georgian College graduates, and
 - has had the experience of in excess of 40 Georgian College graduates who have attended and completed Embry-Riddle degree programs in the United States;
- the applicant's response to the panels' reports;
- any additional materials provided by the applicant to the Board;
- any commitments made by the applicant during the review process; and
- the Board's assessment of the information,

the Postsecondary Education Quality Assessment Board finds that the proposed program meets the Board's standards, and the Board recommends that you grant consent to Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University to offer a **Bachelor of Science (Technical Management)** degree program, to be abbreviated B.Sc., at the campus of Georgian College of Applied Arts and Technology, One Georgian Drive, Barrie.

Yours truly,



Dale Patterson,
Chair

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