



Postsecondary Education Quality Assessment Board
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The Honourable John Milloy
Minister, Training, Colleges and Universities
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Dear Minister:

Application from RCC Institute of Technology for consent to offer a Bachelor of Interior Design: Recommendation to Grant Consent

Pursuant to section 5(1) of the *Post-secondary Education Choice and Excellence Act, 2000*, RCC Institute of Technology applied for consent to offer a Bachelor of Interior Design.

In accordance with section 5.2 of the Act, the application was referred on February 11, 2009 to the Board for its review and recommendation. The Board reviewed the application in accordance with its *Handbook for Private Organizations - February, 2006*, and gave final consideration to the application on September 15, 2009.

Based on:

- the applicant's submission;
- the findings of the Organizational Review Panel appointed by the Board to assess this organization against the Board's standards and benchmarks for organization review;
- the findings of two Quality Assessment Panels (QAPs) appointed by the Board to review this application against the Board's standards and benchmarks for an Honours Baccalaureate degree;
- the applicant's response to the panel 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 Board finds that the proposed program meets its standards and recommends that you grant consent to RCC Institute of Technology to offer a Bachelor of Interior Design at 2000 Steeles Avenue West, Concord, Ontario. Should you decide to grant consent, the Board further recommends that RCC be required to submit for referral to the Board,

- within 6 months of your intent to grant consent,
 - a) a revised organizational structure, including job descriptions, that will ensure a sufficient administrative support to the President and Academic Vice President of RCC; and
 - b) a short list of candidates identified to fill the new position(s);

- following consent, in addition to the other materials required by the Minister, an annual report to the Board on:
 - a) student enrolments by individual program and the variances from the RCC October 2008 Business Plan;
 - b) significant changes in the composition of the senior academic and administrative leadership and in their roles; and that includes copies of
 - c) audited financial statements of both RCC and its parent company Yorkville University; and
 - d) the assignment of faculty members to teach courses in the program, including faculty CVs and faculty hiring for the program.

Yours truly,



Dale Patterson,
Chair

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