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## RE: Recommendation to disestablish the Master of Marine Management degree

Dear Vice Provost Riordan and Assistant Provost Martin:

I am writing to you regarding the status of the Master of Marine Management degree currently offered by the School of Marine Science and Policy in the College of Earth, Ocean, and Environment. As you are aware, this degree was granted provisional status in April 2005, and is scheduled for permanent-status review in October, 2011.

While the original intent of the degree still has merit, the degree program has been unsuccessful with regard to matriculated and completed students. Only one student has graduated from the School with this degree.

This situation has been discussed by the Directors Council of the School, and on behalf of the Council, I recommend that we sunset the degree now and cancel the upcoming review.

The School's recommendation has the support of the Dean of the College, Nancy Targett, who is also copied on this letter.

Please feel free to contact me directly with any questions.

Sincerely,

Charles E. Epifanio

Harrington Professor and School Director

Cc: Nancy Targett, Dean

George Parsons, Associate Director for the Marine Policy Program