



August 9, 2016

Dr. John B. Boone  
Dean of Institutional Effectiveness,  
Accreditation, and Research  
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Dear Dr. Boone:

Thank you for your letter of April 12, 2016, notifying the Commission of your intent to offer a new A.A.S. in Mission Critical Operations degree program, effective fall 2016. The new A.A.S. program is part of an existing U.S. Department of Labor Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training (TAACCT) Consortium Grant program. The new A.A.S. in Mission Critical Operations degree program was approved by the State Board of Community Colleges on July 15, 2016. The institution currently offers the following related A.A.S. degree programs:

- Biopharmaceutical Technology
- Electrical Systems Technology
- Electronics Engineering Technology
- Mechanical Engineering Technology
- Information Systems Security
- Welding Technology
- Air Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Technology
- Diesel and Heavy Equipment Technology
- Construction Management Technology
- Construction Equipment Systems Technology

The A.A.S. in Mission Critical Operations degree program will require 65 semester credit hours. The curriculum will utilize a combination of existing courses from other programs and will include 35 credit hours of new courses. These courses currently exist within the North Carolina Community College Combined Course Library. Additional information was provided as email attachments to Dr. Jerry Stephens, dated August 8, 2016. The additional information included descriptions of the new courses, a list of equipment available to support the program and faculty credentials for the faculty within the program. The faculty assigned to the program appear to have the appropriate credentials to support the program. Based on a review of all the information provided, the new A.A.S. in Mission Critical Operations does not appear to be a significant departure for the institution.



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**We accept notification of the new A.A.S. in Mission Critical Operations degree program and require no additional information.**

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sarah L. Armstrong".

Sarah L. Armstrong, Ph.D.  
Director of Substantive Change

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cc: Dr. Stephen C. Scott, President  
Dr. Larry L. Earvin