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Objet : Fondation universitaire de l'Université Concordia – Exercice financier 2003

Madame Tran,

La présente est pour vous confirmer que la Fondation universitaire de l'université Concordia (« la Fondation ») est demeurée inactive pendant l'exercice financier 2003. Aucun état financier de la Fondation n'a donc été produit pour cette période.

Vous trouverez ci-joint un extrait des états financiers de l'Université Concordia au 31 mai 2003 confirmant le statut inactif de la Fondation.

En espérant que vous trouverez le tout à votre satisfaction, nous vous prions d'agréer, Madame Tran, l'expression de nos meilleurs sentiments.

Le contrôleur par intérim,

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19. Related parties

Concordia University exercises significant influence over the Concordia University Foundation (the "Foundation"). The Foundation must use its resources exclusively to advance the mission of Concordia University. The Foundation is incorporated under the *Canada Corporations Act* and is a registered charity under both the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) and the *Taxation Act* (Québec). Resources of the Foundation amounting to $9,655,907 ($4,218,760 in 2002) have been transferred to Concordia University, in accordance with the wishes of donors. During the year, Concordia University transferred specified gifts to the Foundation in the amount of $8,381,501 ($8,529,845 in 2002) of which $904,908 ($3,086,810 in 2002) remained payable by the University as at year-end.

Concordia University contributed towards expenses of the Concordia University Foundation for a total amount of $7,865,160 ($400,000 in 2002).

Concordia University exercises significant influence over the "Fondation universitaire de l'Université Concordia (the "Fondation"). By law, the Fondation's resources must be used exclusively to promote and financially support the teaching and research activities of Concordia University. The Fondation was created by Order-In-Council 834-97, dated June 25, 1997, of the provincial government, in accordance with the *Loi sur les fondations universitaires*. As a mandatory of the crown, it is recognized as a charitable organization under both the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) and the *Taxation Act* (Québec). In 2003, this foundation remained inactive.

During the year, Concordia University contributed an amount of $250,000 ($266,356 in 2002) to eConcordia.com Inc. to for operating expenses. eConcordia.com Inc. is wholly-owned by the Foundation and is engaged in providing courses for the advancement of learning on electronic or other new media, enhancing access to higher education and training and providing for continuing education at the local, regional, national or international levels.

20. Pledges receivable

Pledges receivable from donors are not recorded on the Statement of Operations of the Restricted Funds. Pledges receivable amounted to $19,944,389 as of May 31, 2003 ($25,047,406 in 2002).

These pledges will be recognized as revenue when collected.

21. Restatement of figures from prior years

In order to comply with the accounting policies and guidelines recommended by the Ministère de l'Enseignement du Québec, programs that are administered by the University on behalf of a third party must be excluded from statement of operations. Any amount received by the University relating to these programs and not yet spent as at year-end must be presented as a liability on the statement of financial position.

As a result, the Designated Fund balance as of June 1, 2001 has been decreased by $1,426,099 while the Designated Fund revenues and expenses for the year ended May 31, 2002 have been decreased by $2,654,327 and $1,160,666, respectively. The restatement had also for effect to increase the Operating Fund liabilities by $2,919,760 as of May 31, 2002.

22. Comparative figures

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform with the presentation adopted in the current year.