December 20, 2022

Jessica Cattelino, Chair
Academic Senate

Re: Proposed Revisions to the Presidential Policy on Sustainable Practices

Dear Chair Cattelino,

At its meeting on December 5, 2022, the Council on Planning and Budget (CPB) discussed the Proposed Revisions to the Presidential Policy on Sustainable Practices. Members offered the following comments.

Members agreed with the proposed revisions to the policy and commented that it would be useful to promote daily actions and facility plans aimed at reducing environmental impact (e.g., turn down AC instead of building a new building). A few members added that they observed no mention of investments in energy generation (for instance, installation of solar panels); many of our buildings lend themselves to this and could make campuses more resilient against energy supply interruptions.

If you have any questions for us, please do not hesitate to contact me at afl@ucla.edu or via the Council’s analyst, Elizabeth Feller, at efeller@senate.ucla.edu.

Best regards,

Andrew Leuchter, Chair
Council on Planning and Budget

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