April 20, 2020

CHANCELLORS
ACADEMIC COUNCIL CHAIR BHAVNANI
LABORATORY DIRECTOR WITHERELL
ANR VICE PRESIDENT HUMISTON

Re: Systemwide Review of Proposed Presidential Policy, UC Seismic Safety Policy, UC-CR-17-0324

Dear Colleagues:

Enclosed for systemwide review are proposed revisions to Presidential Policy, UC Seismic Safety Policy, UC-CR-17-0324 (Seismic Policy).

The Seismic Policy has been revised per the guidance of the UC Seismic Advisory Board (SAB). The SAB is a council of structural and geotechnical engineers with seismic expertise appointment by the Office of the President to advise the University. Revisions to the Seismic Policy are summarized in the enclosed memorandum to the UCOP Policy Advisory Committee RE: Seismic Safety Policy. The Seismic Policy revision was a collaborative effort with the SAB, UCOP Capital Programs, the Office of General Counsel, and UC campus representatives from Berkeley, San Francisco, Los Angeles and Davis.

The proposed policy revision includes the following key issues:

- Policy implementation procedures are moved from the Policy and published to the UCOP website within the UC Facilities Manual. The UC Facilities Manual is a repository for information and procedures related to UC Capital Programs practices.
- Technical seismic engineering standards are updated to reflect current California Building Code and industry standards, and where applicable, specification of technical seismic engineering standards are moved from the Policy to the UC Facilities Manual.
- Policy requirements are clarified, and sections of the Policy Text are re-organized into a more logical sequence for clarity.

Systemwide Review

Systemwide review is a public review distributed to the Chancellors, the Director of the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, the Chair of the Academic Council, and the Vice President of Agriculture and Natural Resources requesting that they inform the general University community, especially affected employees, about policy proposals. Systemwide review also includes a mandatory, 90-day full Senate review.

Employees should be afforded the opportunity to review and comment on the draft policy. Attached is a Model Communication which may be used to inform non-exclusively represented employees about these proposals. The Labor Relations Office at the Office of the President is responsible for informing the
bargaining units representing union membership about policy proposals.

We would appreciate receiving your comments no later than July 20, 2020. Please submit your comments to Lauren Friedman (Lauren.Friedman@ucop.edu). Given the current environment and uncertainty due to the COVID-19 emergency, please contact Lauren Friedman if a time extension is needed. If you have any questions, please contact Lauren Friedman at Lauren.Friedman@ucop.edu or 510-987-9947.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures:
1) Presidential Policy, UC Seismic Safety Policy (clean copy)
2) Presidential Policy, UC Seismic Safety Policy (redline copy)
3) Model Communication
4) Memorandum to UCOP Policy Advisory Committee RE: Seismic Safety Policy

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