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Policy on Safeguards, Security and Emergency Management

Dear Colleagues:

The new [*Policy on Safeguards, Security and Emergency Management*](#) reinforces the University's commitment to become more disaster-resistant. Programs are currently underway to make our campuses safer and more secure as well as less vulnerable and more resilient in the aftermath of any catastrophic disaster or other extraordinary disruption. Guidance on declaring a campus state of emergency has been transferred from the *Policies Applying to Campus Activities, Organizations, and Students* (Section 50) to this new policy, where it will be more accessible to the larger campus community.

The policy was developed by a workgroup composed of campus and Office of the President administrators and Academic Senate representatives, and co-chaired by Vice Provost for Research Lawrence Coleman and Associate Vice President Kristine Hafner, Information Resources and Communications. This effort included a broad review and comment from all locations including the University-managed National Laboratories.

As you know, last year each campus participated in a conventional "all-hazards" vulnerability and risk assessment process that identified and prioritized physical hazard risks at each campus. Subsequently, the Office of the President compiled campus information into a report that contains both hazard-specific and general mitigation recommendations. This soon-to-be-published information should be used as the foundation to guide campus program planning and implementation.

Sincerely,

Robert C. Dynes

Enclosure

cc: Members, President's Cabinet
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