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VIA EMAIL
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Mr. Steve Cahn
Institute Director
Language Plus
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El Paso, TX 79902

*Re: Institutional Show Cause Issued;
COO Visit Required;
Management Report Required;
Payment Required*

ACCET ID #975

Dear Mr. Cahn:

At its December 2020 meeting, the Accrediting Commission of the Accrediting Council for Continuing Education & Training (ACCET) considered the Change of Ownership application for Language Plus located in El Paso, Texas as a result of a referral from the Change of Ownership Committee based on the institution's failure to pay applicable fees and submit required documents. Upon review of the application (received September 24, 2020) and correspondence between the institution's current owner and ACCET staff (June 24, 2020 – December 6, 2020), the Commission voted to issue a show cause directive, **requiring the institution to provide a compelling rationale showing cause as to why its accredited status should not be withdrawn.** This action is based on the institution's failure to submit applicable fees (\$3,400) and documents (Management Report and On-Site Visit Request) as they relate to the institution's change of ownership application. While the Commission appreciates the hardships caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, ACCET is required to adhere to its change of ownership policies and procedures in accordance with US Department of Education requirements. That said, ACCET is able to provide a payment plan and extension of document submission dates to facilitate the required change of ownership application and associated on-site visit for the institution.

Therefore, the institution is directed to provide payments and associated documents in accordance with the revised timeline below. Please note that the payments outlined in the table include the institution's Annual Sustaining Fees of \$1,450 (due January 30, 2021), for a total payment of \$4,850 (this is taking into consideration the \$250 payment received on September 21, 2020):

Submission Dates	Payments	Documents
December 30, 2020	\$1,214	Management Report and On-Site Visit Request
January 30, 2021	\$1,212	ACCET Document 12.b – <u>Annual Enrollment Statistics</u>
February 26, 2021	\$1,212	
March 26, 2021	\$1,212	

It is noted that while under a Show Cause directive, the institution is restricted from making any substantive changes including, but not limited to, new programs, major program revisions, new branch campuses or other new sites, or relocations out of the general market area. Further, the institution is advised that failure to meet the payment and/or document submission deadlines identified above will jeopardize the accreditation status of the institution.

Your demonstrated capabilities and commitment in support of the institution's accredited status are appreciated and essential to a favorable outcome in this process. Should you have any questions or need further assistance regarding this letter, please contact the ACCET office at your earliest opportunity.

Sincerely,



Judy Hendrickson
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