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The Community College
of Baltimore County

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National Security Agency
Attn: Ms. Christine Nickell
9800 Savage Road, Suite 6744
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Dear Ms. Nickell:

This letter provides administrative endorsement of the Community College of Baltimore County (CCBC) effort to apply for the Center for Information Assurance Education and Training (CAE2Y/IAT) for two-year institutions. CCBC has served as a national leader in information security education since 2005. This certification represents a great opportunity for our students and community and we appreciate your guidance and assistance in preparing for the application process. Our college administration recognizes the significance of information security and is committed to becoming one of a select group of institutions pursuing the Center of Academic Excellence for Two-Year Institutions (CAE2Y) certification sponsored by the National Security Agency and the Department of Homeland Security.

As an institution, CCBC is accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education, and is committed to the long-term success of information security education and training. CCBC's Information Systems Security courseware was certified by the Committee on National Security Systems (CNSS) at the 4013E designation in 2010 and 4011 in 2007.

Mr. Casey W. O'Brien from the Network Technology department will be coordinating the CAE2Y/IAT application. He is doing so with my approval. CCBC has encouraged its staff to move forward with this project, and has my full support.

Sincerely,

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