MEMORANDUM

TO: Cheng-i Wei
Dean, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources

FROM: Phyllis Peres
Associate Provost for Academic Planning and Programs

SUBJECT: Proposal to reorganize units into the Department of Environmental Science and Technology (PCC log no. 05074) and transfer related academic programs (PCC log nos. 05075, 05076 and 05077)

On May 17, President Mote gave final approval to your proposal to reorganize a portion of the Department of Natural Resource Sciences and Landscape Architecture with the Department of Biological Resource Engineering, and to rename the latter unit as the Department of Environmental Science and Technology. He also gave final approval to the proposals to transfer into the unit (1) the B.S. in Natural Resource Sciences concentration in the Conservation of Soil, Water and Environment; (2) the Soil Science concentrations of the M.S. and Ph.D. in Natural Resource Science; and (3) the Soil, Water, and Land Resources concentration of the Environmental Science and Policy major.

The changes are formally effective July 1, 2006.

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Enclosure

cc: William Destler, Provost
Ellin Scholnick, Associate Provost for Faculty Affairs
James Baeder, Chair, Senate PCC
Sarah Bauder, Office of Student Financial Aid
Mary Giles, University Senate
Barbara Hope, Data Administration
Anne Turkos, Archives
Leon Slaughter, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources
MEMORANDUM

May 15, 2006

To: C.D. Mote, Jr., President
From: S. James Gates
Chair of the University Senate

Subject: Proposal to Reorganize and Rename the “Department of Biological Resources Engineering” as the “Department of Environmental Science” and transfer academic degree program concentrations, Senate Document Number 05-06-49

I am pleased to forward for your consideration the attached report entitled, “Proposal to Reorganize and Rename the “Department of Biological Resources Engineering” as the “Department of Environmental Science” and transfer academic degree program concentrations, Senate Document Number 05-06-49.” The proposal was presented by Phyllis Peres on behalf of James Baeder, Chair of the Senate Programs, Curricula, and Courses Committee. The University Senate approved the proposal at its May 11, 2006 meeting with the attached amendment to rename the department to the “Department of Environmental Science and Technology.”

We appreciate your consideration of the proposal and request that you inform the Senate Office of your decision as well as any subsequent action related to your conclusion.

Enclosure: Senate Document 05-06-49

cc: William Destler, Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs & Provost
James Baeder, Chair, Senate Programs, Curricula and Courses Committee
Andrew Baldwin, Acting Chair, Department of Biological Resources Engineering
Mary Giles, Executive Secretary and Director, University Senate
Phyllis Peres, Associate Provost, Academic Planning and Programs
Ellin Scholnick, Associate Provost for Faculty Affairs
Cheng-I Wei, Dean, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources
Ann Wylie, President’s Chief of Staff

Approved: ____________________________ Date: 5-17-06
C.D. Mote, Jr.
President
MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 9, 2006

TO: Dr. Adele Berlin, 2005-2006 Chair, University Senate
    Dr. Sylvester Gates, 2006-2007 Chair, University Senate

FROM: Andrew Baldwin (Acting Chair, Biological Resources Engineering) Cheng-i Wei (Dean, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources)

RE: Amendment to Senate Document Number 050549 to reorganize and rename the "Department of Biological Resources Engineering" as the "Department of Environmental Science" and transfer in the following academic concentrations:
   a) The concentration in The Conservation of Soil, Water and the Environment in the B.S. in Natural Resource Sciences;
   b) The Soil Science concentrations in the M.S. and Ph.D. in Natural Resource Sciences;

The original proposing unit requests that a portion of the proposal in renaming of the department be amended. The new name proposed is the "Department of Environmental Science and Technology." The faculty of the proposed reorganized department and the Dean of the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources endorse this amendment.

The amended department name more appropriately represents the specific field of environmental science and the academic programs that will be housed within the department as well as the areas of research, teaching and extension education focus in Ecological Design and Technology, Ecosystem Science and Management, Soil and Watershed Sciences, and Environmental Health.
THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK
PROGRAM/CURRICULUM PROPOSAL

DIRECTIONS:
- Provide one form with original approval signatures in lines 1 - 4 for each proposed action. Keep this form to one page in length.
- Early consultation with the Office of the Associate Provost for Academic Planning & Programs is strongly recommended if there are questions or concerns, particularly with new programs.
- Please submit the signed form to Claudia Rector, Office of the Associate Provost for Academic Planning and Programs, 1119 Main Administration Building, Campus.
- Please email the rest of the proposal as an MSWord attachment to pcc-submissions@umd.edu.

DATE SUBMITTED April 4, 2006
PCC LOG NO. 05076

COLLEGE/SCHOOL Agriculture and Natural Resources

DEPARTMENT/PROGRAM Natural Resource Sciences and Landscape Architecture

PROPOSED ACTION (A separate form for each) ADD____ DELETE_____ CHANGE_XX_

DESCRIPTION (Provide a succinct account of the proposed action. Details should be provided in an attachment. Provide old and new sample programs for curriculum changes.)

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer the Soil Science concentration of the Natural Resource Sciences M.S. and Ph.D. programs from the Department of Natural Resource Sciences and Landscape Architecture to the proposed Department of Environmental Science.

JUSTIFICATION/REASONS/RESOURCES (Briefly explain the reason for the proposed action. Identify the source of new resources that may be required. Details should be provided in an attachment.)

This action is necessary because the faculty who teach and advise for the Soil Science concentration of the Natural Resource Sciences graduate programs are proposing to move to the proposed Department of Environmental Science.

APPROVAL SIGNATURES

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