October 23, 2020

To: Jason Stajich, Chair
Riverside Division

From: Hai Che, Chair
Committee on Research

Re: 20-21. SR. Curtailment Program

The committee on research reviewed the 20-21 Curtailment Program. The committee felt that the program needed clarifications regarding exceptions when concerning Vivarium or essential labs, salaries supported by grants, and potential impact on retirement plans. Additionally, the committee would like to know how future cuts will be implemented or if the curtailment days can be staggered rather than consecutively. The committee would also like more concrete details or specific totals on the 5-day curtailment and why this five-day timeframe is a sufficient cost saving measure. The program document is also vague on the potential negative impacts on faculty of different ranks.

From a non-research perspective the committee would also like clarification regarding the impact on faculty during appraisal periods.