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COLLEGE OF THE ENVIRONMENT
Office of the Dean

October 6, 2011

Dear Colleagues:

Thank you for agreeing to serve on the advisory search committee to identify and recommend candidates for the position of Director of the School of Forest Resources. Bruce Balick (Professor, Department of Astronomy) will chair the committee.

We are asking that you conduct a vigorous, national search for the new Director, whose five-year term would begin July 1, 2012. You should think broadly and creatively, considering all candidates who would bring vision and leadership to this position. We also encourage you to consider candidates with non-traditional profiles, those who might serve with distinction but might ordinarily not be identified. Finally, the University has a strong commitment to diversity, which I ask you to consider seriously as you build a pool of eligible candidates. Please establish protocols for seeking the opinions of the broader UW faculty, staff, student and alumni communities, as well as other appropriate constituencies of the University of Washington. At the conclusion of the search, I would like to receive from you the names of at least three highly qualified candidates.

Professor Balick will communicate with you to arrange the first meeting of the committee. I will attend a portion of that meeting to discuss the search with you.

Thank you very much for accepting this important assignment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'William Gramlich'.

Dean, College of the Environment
Virginia and Prentice Bloedel Professor