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March 14, 2019

Dr. Richard Lapidus  
President  
Fitchburg State University  
160 Pearl Street  
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*Rich*  
Dear President Lapidus:

I am writing to inform you that at its meeting on Tuesday, March 12, 2019, the Board of Higher Education approved the application of **Fitchburg State University** to award the **Bachelor of Science in Environmental Public Health**.

Upon graduating the first class for this program, the University shall submit to the Board a status report addressing its success in reaching program goals as stated in the application and in the areas of enrollment, curriculum, faculty resources, and program effectiveness.

I wish you much success with this new program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "C. E. Santiago".

Carlos E. Santiago, Ph.D.  
Commissioner

**BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

**REQUEST FOR COMMITTEE AND BOARD ACTION**

**COMMITTEE:** Academic Affairs

**NO:** AAC 19-14

**COMMITTEE DATE:** March 5, 2019

**BOARD DATE:** March 12, 2019

**APPLICATION OF FITCHBURG STATE UNIVERSITY FOR THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE  
IN ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH**

**MOVED:** The Board of Higher Education hereby approves the application of **Fitchburg State University** to award the **Bachelor of Science in Environmental Public Health**.

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Authority: Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 15A, Section 9(b)

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