Ms. Amy E. Ferrer Executive Director The American Philosophical Association

Dear Ms. Ferrer – or Amy if I may,

First, let me say that things seem to be running very smoothly since you took over as Executive Director.

Second, I'm writing concerning the status of the American Philosophical Association Committee on the Status of Women Site Visit Program. I had assumed, from the title, that it was an official program of the American Philosophical Association, but a friend of mine claimed that that was not the case, and he pointed out the statement on the program's website that says, regarding the Site Visit Team, "They are not employed by the APA nor are they representatives of the APA."

As a result, I'm a bit puzzled, so I thought that I'd write to you about this.

Best regards,

Michael Tooley

President (2010-11), American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division

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Amy Ferrer <aferrer@udel.edu> To: Michael Tooley Re: Status of the Site Visit Program

Dear Michael (if I may, and yes, please call me Amy),

Thank you for your inquiry. The site visit program is a project of the APA's committee on the status of women, which is somewhat different than being a project of the association. It is more like a sponsorship relationship, wherein the program is not overseen by the national office, the board of officers, or any division, and thus the site visitors cannot be considered employees or representatives of the association. I hope this provides some clarity.

And thanks very much as well for your kind words about my work with the APA. It's wonderful to hear that the efforts of the staff and leadership are recognized and appreciated!

All the best, Amy

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