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Via Email

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Dear Sandra Gresh:

This letter responds to your September 24, 2022 letter regarding South Dakota's Experience Training Program (ETP). Your letter asks: "Is the ETP a practicum course (as the ASC now states) or is it a traditional supervisor-trainee model with a super-supervisor as was first envisioned by SD and approved by the ASC through its grant process and subsequent interactions in 2021?"

The South Dakota Appraiser Certification Program (ACP) received a grant from the Appraisal Subcommittee (ASC) on October 1, 2020, with the goal to, "create an appraiser experience training program for South Dakota State-Registered Appraisers that, when completed, will satisfy the AQB experience requirement necessary for the Trainee's desired South Dakota appraiser credentialing level." During *Phase 1 – Concept and Refinement*, the ACP proposed it would research, develop, and refine the details for the design and setup of the ETP. The ACP determined a more practical use of resources would be to partner with South Dakota State University to offer the ETP as a practicum course in accordance with the *Real Property Appraiser Qualification Criteria*. ASC staff sees no conflict of interest in the ACP approving the ETP as a practicum course.

ASC staff appreciates the Professional Appraisers Association of South Dakota's (PAASD) innovative idea and assistance to the ACP to develop a program that will bring new appraisers into South Dakota. While the ETP format has shifted away from the PAASD's original concept, ASC staff believes upon successful implementation, this ETP practicum course could be replicated and shared with other jurisdictions and universities to alleviate shortages of appraisers and increase diversity within the appraiser profession.

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