I am pleased to announce that I have appointed Richard Coulon as the interim chief financial officer & vice chancellor for the Division of Finance and Administration, effective December 4. He will assume management of UCI’s $3.5 billion operating budget and $3 billion capital expenditure budget, ensuring the responsible allocation of public and private financial resources to meet our objectives, including the health enterprise (health sciences and medical center).

Rick has more than 21 years of experience at UCI, where he currently serves as associate vice chancellor for the Division of Finance and Administration, overseeing the Design and Construction Services, Capital Planning and Space Management, Campus Physical and Environmental Planning, Real Estate Services, Risk Management, and UCPath units. He served as UCI’s UCPath committee chair, overseeing for the campus the successful implementation of the largest administrative system in UC’s history. He is also responsible for teams leading high-level planning, including $2 billion in active construction projects.

Rick previously served as UCI’s director of Materiel and Risk Management, which included central purchasing, equipment management, business contracts, interior design, and risk management. He oversaw the creation and implementation of UCI’s first venture into eCommerce as well as the procurement and capital asset modules in the Kuali Financial System (KFS).

Please join me in congratulating Rick on his new role at UCI.

Chancellor Howard Gillman

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