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To Professor Fumihiko Takasaki Director Institute of Particle and Nuclear Studies KEK 1-1 Oho Tsukuba Ibaraki 305-0801 Japan

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## Dear Professor Takasaki:

On behalf of the Committee that you asked to review the scientific program and the overall quality of the concluding running period of the 12-GeV Proton Synchrotron (PS) at KEK, as well as the impact of the PS program during its time of operation. I am pleased to transmit to you herewith our report on that review.

Our conclusions are based on our site visit to KEK on January 22 to 24, 2008 and on our working knowledge in the fields of high-energy and nuclear physics in which the KEK PS has been active. We appreciate that the site visit was set up in a most informative and efficient way, and thus was very helpful indeed to the committee for reaching informed conclusions in a short time. We would like also to mention the most helpful support by Professor Kenzo Nakamura.

I hope that you will find the report instructive and helpful, and responsive to the charge that you gave us. I summarize our conclusions about the scientific program of the PS by quoting the last sentence of the Executive Summary:

• The Committee rates the completion of the 12-GeV PS scientific program and its historical development an outstanding success.

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