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SUBMISSION OF MANUSCRIPT FOR REVIEW

Re: Application for waiver of editor letter.

Dear Prof Y. Waghid

The manuscript entitled ""The profile of occupational stress in a sample of Health profession academics at a historically disadvantaged university in South Africa." has been submitted for review to the South African Journal of Higher Education. The manuscript is the outcome of a writing retreat initiative that included three critical readers who assessed conceptual clarity, scientific rigour, language editing and compliance with author's guidelines. The writing retreat process is an attempt to assist faculty staff with writing for publication. We request the Editor to consider a waiver of the requirement for a letter from an editor. Senior staff in our faculty who are reviewers for international journals and are well-published established researchers acted as critical readers in this mentoring process. The submission to an editor will incur additional costs that we would much rather apply to the publication fee. We respect and understand the requirement for proof of editing, and hereby submit that this writing process be accepted as an equivalent to that requirement. The publication of this manuscript will contribute to the field and the development of the contributing authors.

Sincerely

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