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**STATEMENT FROM UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT
DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS JEFFREY A. HATHAWAY**

Good morning and thank you for being here today.

Earlier this week while Coach Calhoun and I were out of town attending Big East meetings, a Notice of Allegations from the NCAA enforcement staff was delivered to our offices.

The Notice of Allegations includes eight specific charges related to the men's basketball program. You have been provided with a copy of the Notice of Allegations in which the appropriate redactions were made in accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

This Notice is the result of a 15 month cooperative review by the NCAA enforcement staff and University officials in response to a March 2009 media report. That report alleged recruiting rules violations by members of the University's men's basketball staff.

To continue to maintain the integrity of the NCAA enforcement process, University officials and staff will not comment on the specific allegations. Rick Evrard, the University's outside counsel for NCAA related matters, will explain the next phase of this investigation and respond to questions related to the NCAA enforcement process.

Let me be clear that the University of Connecticut is fully committed to NCAA rules compliance and takes this matter very seriously.

With regard to Coach Calhoun, he personally has a long standing history of demonstrated commitment to NCAA compliance. We appreciate his continued commitment, as well as the full cooperation and support that he has provided throughout this process.

As we continue with this process, there will be no further comment from the University until after we have completed our response to the Committee on Infractions.