

MEMORANDUM

To: Dr. Sandra Woodley, President

Cc: Natalie Harms, Senior Vice President of Business Affairs
Elsa Montalvo, Director, Purchasing

From: Ali Subhani, Chief Audit Executive



Date: January 28, 2026

RE: Completion of Texas Education Code §51.9337 Annual Compliance Assessment

Senate Bill 20 (84th Legislative Session) made several modifications and additions to Texas Government Code (TGC) and Texas Education Code (TEC) related to purchasing and contracting. Effective September 1, 2015, TEC §51.9337 requires that, “The chief auditor of an institution of higher education shall annually assess whether the institution has adopted the rules and policies required by this section and shall submit a report of findings to the state auditor.” We have conducted this required assessment for FY 2026, and found the following:

Based on review of current institutional policy, UT System-wide policy, and the UT System Board of Regents’ Rules and Regulations, UT Permian Basin has generally adopted all of the rules and policies required by TEC §51.9337. These rules and policies will continue to be assessed annually to ensure continued compliance with TEC §51.9337.

This information will be reported to the Texas State Auditor’s Office in our FY 2026 annual audit report.