TO: Conference Commissioners, Directors of Athletics, Senior Woman Administrators and Head Women’s Basketball Coaches.

FROM: Barbara Burke, chair
NCAA Women’s Basketball Rules Committee
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NCAA Women’s Basketball Rules Committee.

SUBJECT: New Basketball Court Markings.

This memorandum serves to communicate a rule change approved by the Women’s Basketball Rules Committee and Playing Rules Oversight Panel (PROP) regarding the lower defensive box and required court markings.

The change, which becomes effective with the 2013-14 season, requires institutions to add two 12” x 2” lines (“tick marks”) on the baseline which are located 3 feet from the outside edge of the lane line. The tick marks should be measured from the outside edge of the lane line to the inside edge of the tick mark on both sides of the lane and on both ends of the court. The court diagram below may also be viewed at the following link: **Half Court Diagram**
Further educational information and officiating guidance regarding the lower defensive box are being developed and will be distributed in the coming weeks.

Thank you for your attention to this memorandum. If you have additional questions, please contact Rachel Seewald (rseewald@ncaa.org or 317/917-6141) at the national office.

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